

# Northern Health Authority (NHA)

## Instructions for Obtaining Recommended Vaccinations and/or Tests

### Step 1: Vaccination appointment booking

Contact [your local](#) Public Health Unit (link: <https://www.northernhealth.ca/find-a-facility/health-units>), [your local](#) Pharmacy (link: <https://www.bcpharmacists.org/list-community-pharmacies>), or Travel Medicine in your area to book the recommended vaccinations.

#### **IF Hepatitis B vaccines are recommended:**

These vaccines can be received by appointment from a pharmacist, physician, or local travel clinic.

- A fee for the vaccine may be charged.
- Please refer to the NHA Hepatitis B Referral Form for hepatitis B vaccine reimbursement and additional instructions.

**Print and bring a copy of your employee vaccine & immunity status report and employee identification to your appointment or referral, so the vaccinator will know what is recommended.**

Please contact a Workplace Health and Safety Occupational Health Nurse if you have any questions regarding new hire TB screening (TB skin test/Chest x-ray), reimbursement, or availability of vaccinations in your area at 1-844-649-7500 (option 2)

### Step 2: New hire TB screening

#### **TB Skin Tests:**

- Only TB skin tests within the past 6 months are accepted. MMR and/or chickenpox vaccines can potentially affect TB skin test results. TB skin testing should be completed on the same day MMR and/or chickenpox vaccines are given or delayed for at least 4 weeks.
- Please refer to the directions in your new hire package. The Memorandum regarding reporting your TB screening status, in the package, outlines where to have this done.

#### **TB Chest X-Rays:**

- Only Chest X-Ray results within the last 1 year are accepted.
- Please arrange with a Workplace Health and Safety Occupational Health Nurse by calling 1-844-649-7500 (option 2).

### Step 3: Report your vaccinations/tests

- If you have vaccination/test updates or records, please submit them using the Vaccination Status Self-Reporting tool at: <https://healthandsafety.healthcarebc.ca/> by selecting the “**Existing Employee**” option.

**Note:** If your COVID-19 vaccine was given outside of BC, please use the link: <https://immunizationrecord.gov.bc.ca/> to register your COVID-19 vaccine into the Provincial Immunization Registry (please use Chrome).

## Step 4: Self-look-up report

- To access your employee vaccination & immunity status, refer to the self-look-up report by selecting the link: [NHA](#) or by copying the link: <https://ohsbi.phsa.ca/sites/nha/OHS/WMO05003.rdl> (please use Chrome or Edge).
- Your self-look-up report is only accessible from the health organization networks.

## Step 5: IF lab tests are recommended

**If lab tests have been recommended for you, please follow up with a Health Care Provider (HCP) to discuss post-vaccine testing.**

- **NOTE:** If you have had a previous Reactive (Immune) Hepatitis B titre (blood test), please contact the Provincial Workplace Health Contact Centre (PWHCC) to discuss this with a nurse before following the above instructions.
- Please follow up with your HCP for your titre results to determine if further vaccinations may be recommended.

**If you are unable to access the online reporting tool or have vaccination questions or concerns, please contact the Provincial Workplace Health Contact Centre (PWHCC) Nursing Team by email at: [HH@WHCallCentre.ca](mailto:HH@WHCallCentre.ca)**