



**Deer Lake, NL (March 3, 2021)** - Together with Western Health the Town of Deer Lake has implemented a plan for a vaccination site to administer COVID-19 vaccinations to individuals in Phase 2 of the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's COVID-19 immunization plan.

The Town of Deer Lake committed itself to working with Western Health and Public Health to provide a safe and local vaccination site to assist the immunization plan that has been established.

After an exhaustive search through the Deer Lake area, the Hodder Memorial Recreation Complex has been chosen for this vaccination site for Deer Lake and the surrounding area.

The decision to utilize this site was not taken lightly. The Town of Deer Lake has deliberated and weighed all factors in making this decision as it will close the arena section of the Hodder Memorial Recreation Complex to the public through September 2021, thus putting an end to minor hockey, figure skating along with other groups that use the arena section of the complex. The Town of Deer Lake is confident this decision is in the best interest of the residents of this area.

“To help stop this pandemic, we need to use every tool that is available to us. The COVID-19 vaccines are one of the most effective tools to protect the resident throughout our communities. Please continue to follow public health guidelines, and get the vaccine when it is available to you. Conquering this virus will take a collective effort from all levels of government and our residents as we work towards a common goal of defeating this virus.”

Dean Ball  
Mayor of Deer Lake

The Town of Deer Lake appreciates the cooperation and patience of its residents at this time.

Information on pre-registration and location information will be available on the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's COVID-19 website along with details regarding priority groups that have been identified through this process.

- Government of NL COVID-19 website <https://www.gov.nl.ca/covid-19/>
- Priority Groups <https://www.gov.nl.ca/covid-19/vaccine/prioritygroups/>