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GROUPE DE TRAVAIL SUR L'IMMUNITÉ FACE À LA COVID-19



CanCOVID

Seminar Series | Research Results & Implications

Protecting Canada's long-term care residents from COVID-19: The evidence behind the policies



Thursday, October 28, 2021 | 1 – 2:30 p.m. EDT

Register for Thursday!

Join us in this second *CITF/CanCOVID Seminar Series: Research Results & Implications*, as COVID-19 Immunity Task Force (CITF)-supported research teams from across Canada unveil their latest findings. They will discuss how their respective studies present consistent results, offering strong scientific evidence to aid in protecting Canada's long-term care residents, staff, and visitors.

Find out what evidence is behind the latest policy decisions, including

making this vulnerable population eligible for a third dose of a COVID-19 vaccine in many provinces and territories. Stay with us to participate in a lively question-and-answer period.

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CITF-Funded Research Results

Newest Canadian Blood Services data mirrors widescale vaccine roll-out in Canada

The latest results from the Canadian Blood Services' monthly serosurvey indicate that 95% of blood donors sampled in July 2021 had antibodies against SARS-CoV-2, acquired predominantly through vaccination. Not only did vaccine-induced seroprevalence increase among all sociodemographic groups and across all geographic regions, but infection-acquired seroprevalence dropped compared to June 2021. Donors identifying as part of a racialized group and those aged 17 to 24 remained most likely to have antibodies due to infection.

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CITF Announcement

Héma-Québec offers opportunity for plasma samples via its new plasma donor biobank

Given Héma-Québec's opportunity to collect repeat plasma samples, they have launched a biobank of samples from plasma donors. The samples collected allow researchers to gather information before and after vaccination, and in some cases before and after COVID-19 infection, allowing both their researchers and other researchers in Canada to study the immune response to COVID-19 vaccination or infection. They are inviting researchers to use their samples.

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An exciting opportunity to join our team

The CITF is looking for a Research Associate (Immune Science) to support the next phase of our scientific strategy related to vaccine immunity. The Research Associate will have the opportunity to work with a vibrant team of investigators, public health practitioners, clinicians, researchers and administrative staff dedicated to conducting research and leading other scientific activities to inform public health decision-making and improve health outcomes for Canadians.

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