Dear NS Team Member,

You are receiving this letter as you have submitted an intent to decline COVID-19 vaccination or an exception request (medical or Human Rights) that has been declined or remains under review. The COVID-19 vaccine core planning team and NS Health Occupational Health Safety & Wellness team are continually looking for ways to support health care workers impacted by the provincial mandate for those working in high risk settings.

Nova Scotia is being provided with a small and limited supply of a viral vector vaccine; Jansen (Johnson & Johnson) and Occupational Health Safety & Wellness has been approved to offer this vaccine to health care workers working in high-risk settings. We understand that this vaccine may not alleviate all concerns expressed in your exception request however we are offering the option for your consideration.

The viral vector vaccine will be delivered to select pharmacies across the province. If you are interested in vaccination with this product you must email

<u>OHSWMatters@nshealth.ca</u> with your request to be supported with a vaccination appointment. Please include the following in your email:

- Subject line: Offer of Viral Vector Vaccine
- Body of the email:

• Name

Phone number- as you will be contacted directly by the pharmacy with an appointment date via this means

Zone in which you work

Community in which you live -so the OHN can direct you to the closest community pharmacy

This email address is being monitored by Occupational Health Nurses who will provide support with the coordination of a vaccination appointment. Please note, there is a limited supply of this vaccine therefore we would respectfully request that you inform us if your interest in this vaccination on or before December 6th, 2021. After this date, vaccine offerings will be extended beyond employees of high-risk settings.

If you receive vaccination please ensure you complete the **Nova Scotia Health COVID-19 Immunization Disclosure web form**. You will be considered fully vaccinated and would be able to return to work 14 days after administration of 1_{st} dose as this is a one dose vaccine series.

Thank you, Occupational Health Safety & Wellness

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