Meeting Summary

- To present plans for work on COVID-19 vaccine 2020/21 (including NACI's work) and Influenza Season Planning in the context of COVID-19 (CIRID as guest presenters)
- To share highlights of the FPT Public Health Response Plan for the Ongoing Management of COVID-19
- To provide a general update on recent PHAC guidance
- 33 participants on the call

CIRID Presentation – vaccine planning, influenza season, awareness campaign and vaccine guidance

- Questions from members
 - With the decreases in influenza in the southern hemisphere, were there difference between countries who had minimal restrictions compared to lockdowns?
 - Globally rates are down everywhere.
 - In terms of the NACI priority groups for the vaccine are considerations made for urban centres (e.g., congregate housing?)
 - Health equity is a key consideration being discussed. Looking at multiple factors including occupational types, residence, etc. Will share journal article from the Journal Vaccine (published in June 2020) that touches upon areas being examined.
 - Many of the vaccine candidates utilize new, untested platforms including the ones announced so far. Is funding going towards traditional methods of vaccine development?
 - Discussions are ongoing in terms of diversifying investments and it is a factor in terms of the vaccine planning.

Follow-up Items

- Share the following resources with members:
 - <u>A framework for the systematic consideration of ethics, equity, feasibility, and</u> <u>acceptability in vaccine program recommendations</u>
 - <u>Research priorities for COVID-19 vaccines to support public health decisions</u>
 - <u>Federal/provincial/territorial public health response plan for ongoing management of</u> <u>COVID-19</u>
- Add vaccine development onto the forward agenda (CIRID to come back to present to members at a future date)
- Send follow up questions via email to membership on workforce burnout/fatigue, early warning signals/indicators in advance of surge and current measures/messaging on indoor activities.

Forward Agenda

• **Guest presentation on** Federal/provincial/territorial public health response plan for ongoing management of COVID-19 at September 14 meeting.