

## Speaking Points for MinDM

- Planning is already underway on multiple fronts with the provinces and territories (PTs) and public health partners, at home and around the world, to ensure the rapid deployment in Canada of safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines.
- Canada's COVID-19 deployment strategy calls for focused activities in several critical and complementary domains:
  - **Securing Vaccine Supply for All Canadians:** to ensure timely access to safe and effective pandemic vaccine for Canadians who need or want to be vaccinated
  - **Providing Timely and Informed Public Health Guidance:** to maximize the public health impacts of vaccines authorized for use in Canada
  - **Supporting PTs to Optimize Vaccine Deployment:** to ensure PT readiness to deploy COVID-19 vaccine when it is available in Canada
  - **Conducting Post-Market Vaccine Surveillance:** to strengthen capacity for robust, post-market monitoring of vaccine safety to detect and quickly address emerging safety concerns; and, to monitor uptake to know who is getting vaccinated, why and to assess if the vaccine is providing equal protection to all (not just some) and over time
  - **Promoting Acceptance and Uptake of COVID Vaccines:** to support Canadians to make informed choices about COVID-19 vaccination for themselves and their families