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Sent: 2020-09-11 11:56 AM
To: Saini, Sabina (HC/SC)
Cc: Nowers, Kathryn (HC/SC)
Subject: McKesson Canada - Embargoed Release
Attachments: McK_Ca_Vaccine_COVID-19_Release_ENG.pdf

Morning! Sharing an embargoed release by McKesson Canada that will be distributed next week, currently scheduled for Sept 14. We wanted to make sure you saw it in advance.

In short it simply addresses that McKesson Canada is committed to working with federal, provincial and territorial governments to ensure that Canada is ready to deliver a future COVID-19 vaccine from coast to coast to coast.

Let us know if you have any questions and when we could schedule a call.

Thanks!

Matt

From: Matt Triemstra
Sent: September 9, 2020 6:55 PM
To: Saini, Sabina (HC/SC) <sabina.saini@canada.ca>
Cc: Nowers, Kathryn (HC/SC) <kathryn.nowers@canada.ca>
Subject: McKesson Canada - Follow-up

Sabina and Kathryn – Back in June you graciously connected with McKesson Canada to discuss the sustainability of the country's drug supply during COVID-19 and the rapid deployment of a vaccine to Canadians.

Since June, there has been a few changes at McKesson, notably David Simmonds has left the company with Darius Kuras taking over as Senior Director, External Communications and Public Affairs. Additionally [Rebecca McKillican](#) was named the new CEO on Aug 10.

As well, now that Canada has identified four vaccine suppliers, the attention must now turn to deploying the vaccine to all Canadians, a task for which McKesson is well suited to offer support on. They've also created a draft white paper (attached) for more information.

Rebecca is very eager to engage and introduce herself and we think this is a great opportunity to arrange a call with Minister Hajdu directly. In the short term, we also wanted to ensure you had a direct contact at McKesson in Darius and we'd like to arrange a call as soon as possible to discuss these changes and to offer McKesson's assistance. Please let us know what could work for you and we'd be happy to accommodate your schedule.

Thanks!

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Sent: May 25, 2020 9:22 AM
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Subject: Re: Meeting Request - McKesson Canada

Hi Matt,

Thanks for the email. Given the Minister's very busy and ever changing schedule, it make sense for myself and Kathryn to meet with McKesson first. We can set up a meeting later this week if that is amendable to them. Let us know and we can set up a meeting.

Many thanks,

Sabina Saini
Chief of Staff/Chef du Cabinet
Office of the Honourable Patty Hajdu, Minister of Health/Bureau de l'honorable Patty Hajdu, ministre de la Santé

On May 22, 2020, at 3:40 PM, Matt Triemstra <mtriemstra@ensightcanada.com> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

On behalf of McKesson Canada, I am writing to set up a meeting between Minister Hajdu and Domenic Pilla, Chief Executive Officer of McKesson Canada. In advance of the call and as a first step, happy to get you on the phone with David Simmonds, Senior Vice-President.

As you know, for over 100 years, McKesson has been partnering with key players in the Canadian health care industry. McKesson has committed to doing everything they can to keep their operations functional during the COVID-19 pandemic so that Canadians can continue to access the medications, therapies and treatments they need.

Domenic would like to urgently meet with the Minister to update her on what steps McKesson has taken to continue to provides essential services to Canadians and to ensure the sustainability of the country's drug supply during COVID-19.

There is an opportunity for McKesson Canada to support the Government of Canada by replicating the work currently underway in the United States with McKesson to expand access to rapid testing and

hopefully eventually, the rollout of a rapid vaccine administration program across the country. McKesson has already rolled out mass testing through its Health Mart chain of pharmacies in the United States, with a particular focus on serving vulnerable populations in low-income areas.

With the federal government's support, McKesson can mobilize its resources across Canada and provide the necessary mass testing and long-term support needed to safely reopen the Canadian economy. They are also ideally suited to support efforts to ensure immunization in the long-term and rapid point-of-care testing in pharmacies from coast to coast to coast.

Please let me know if we can set up a call with David for next week. Thanks for your consideration!

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