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Inoculation rates for first doses of COVID-19 vaccine

The Nunatsiavut Government today released data on the number of residents in each Labrador Inuit community, 18 years of age and older, that received the COVID-19 Moderna vaccine during the first round of inoculations carried out from January 11-16.

The table below shows the number of residents 18 years of age and older eligible to receive the vaccine, along with the numbers of doses administered and the overall percentage in each community.

Community	Population	Dose 1	% Dose 1
Makkovik	221	163	73.8%
Hopedale	453	314	69.3%
Nain	775	514	66.3%
Rigolet	221	197	89.1%
Postville	147	100	68.0%
Total	1817	1288	70.9%

The Moderna vaccine requires two doses to be effective. Following is the tentative schedule for the administration of the second dose:

February 8	Makkovik
February 9	Rigolet
February 10	Postville / Hopedale
February 11	Hopedale
February 12-13	Nain

The Nunatsiavut Government continues to work with all relevant authorities to deliver the vaccine as quickly as possible in a safe and efficient manner to all residents within Nunatsiavut.

Evidence suggests the Moderna vaccine is more than 94 per cent effective. While it is not mandatory for people to receive the vaccine, the Nunatsiavut Government is strongly urging all residents to do so when it is available. Those who are interested in being vaccinated that did not receive the first dose are asked to contact the public health office in their respective communities.

The Nunatsiavut Government is encouraging all residents, whether they received the first dose of the vaccine or not, to continue following all public health protocols, including practicing good hand hygiene, wearing a mask and maintaining social distancing of at least two metres from those outside your immediate households.

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