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COMMUNIQUÉ

Vaccinations for community members 12-15 years of age to begin this week

For immediate release

(Kahnawake – 1, Ohiaríha/June 2021) The Kateri Memorial Hospital Centre ("KMHC") and the Kahnawà:ke COVID-19 Task Force ("Task Force") would like to remind Kahnawa'kehró:non that vaccinations for adolescents between the ages of 12 and 15 begin this week.

This vaccination clinic will be held at the Bingo Hall on Route 138 on:

- Thursday, June 3 from 3pm until 6:30pm
- Friday, June 4 from 1pm until 6:30pm
- Saturday, June 5 from 9am until 3pm

To book your appointment please visit

www.kahnawake911.com/vaccine and click on the link to Quebec's Clic Sante portal. Those over the age of 14 do not require parental consent to receive the vaccine. Those under the age of 14 require parental consent to receive the vaccine. The parental consent form can be found at the aforementioned website when booking your appointment.

"This is another crucial phase in the vaccination campaign but more importantly in ensuring that our community remains safe as we move forward towards a new normal," said Lisa Westaway, Executive Director of the KMHC. "Vaccinations protect our most vulnerable and will contribute greatly to return to school in the fall in a safe and secure way. Our children deserve to be learning on-site. Vaccinations will ensure that they can be back in school, meeting their mental health, physical, social and psychological needs, while at the same time protecting their families and loved ones."

Additionally, local residents who may require more information or have questions about the vaccines and adolescents can contact a nurse from Public Health at 450-638-3930 ext 2213. Other vaccine related information is available on various government websites to help you make an informed decision regarding vaccinations:

https://publications.msss.gouv.qc.ca/msss/fichiers/2021/21-279-42WA.pdf

https://immunize.ca/sites/default/files/Resource%20and%20Product%2 0Uploads%20(PDFs)/COVID-19/covid-q-and-a e.pdf

Do your part to protect your loved ones and community by wearing your mask, practicing proper hygiene, social distance and get vaccinated.