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TO: Saskatchewan Health Authority
Indigenous Services Canada - Saskatchewan Region
Northern Intertribal Health Authority
Saskatchewan Medical Association
College of Registered Nurses of Saskatchewan
Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy Professionals
Saskatchewan College of Paramedics
Saskatchewan College of Respiratory Therapists
Saskatchewan Association of Licensed Practical Nurses
College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan
Registered Psychiatric Nurses Association of Saskatchewan
Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch

Re: Discontinuation of AstraZeneca Vaxzevria® COVID-19 Vaccine Benefit/Risk Forms

Dear Colleagues:

Previously, individuals who chose to receive AstraZeneca Vaxzevria[®] COVID-19 vaccine and did not have a contraindication to the mRNA vaccine were required to sign a COVID-19 immunization risk/benefit form that stated that the vaccine may be offered if the individual was advised about the risks of AstraZeneca Vaxzevria[®] vaccine to make an informed decision.

These immunization risk/benefit forms are no longer required prior to immunization with AstraZeneca Vaxzevria[®] as long as informed consent is obtained.

The forms will be removed from the COVID-19 Immunization Manual.

Please share this letter with staff and colleagues.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Saqib Shahab Chief Medical Health Officer