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COVID-19 vaccination campaign

Vaccination begins for individuals aged 60 and over

Saint-Jérôme, April 8, 2021 – The Ministry of Health and Social Services is now inviting people aged 60 and over (born on or before 1961) to schedule an appointment to be vaccinated against COVID-19.

Given the limited availability of vaccine doses, the vaccine roll-out is being done in stages. Although vaccinations are by age group, it will still be possible for older seniors to make an appointment to be vaccinated even after the campaign in their region has moved on to subsequent age groups.

“The pandemic’s third wave is now upon us, which is why it is more important than ever that we make every effort to protect ourselves against COVID-19. Given that the vaccine can take up to three weeks to reach full effectiveness, it is equally important for vaccinated people to continue to comply with the current health measures”, said Ms. Caroline Chantal, director of the COVID-19 vaccination campaign for the CISSS des Laurentides.

Visit [Quebec.ca/vaccinCOVID](https://quebec.ca/vaccinCOVID) for the simplest and fastest way to schedule an appointment and to follow the progress of the campaign by region. Those without internet access or who have difficulty using the internet can call 1-866-495-5833 for support. We encourage family members to help seniors schedule an online appointment as needed.

For information about being vaccinated without an appointment, for people aged 55 to 79 only, visit <https://www.santelaurentides.gouv.qc.ca/english/>.

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