

## Immunization Orientation for Public Health Nurses

### Immunization Certification

For PHN's to obtain a Certificate of Immunization Competency, the following are required:

1. **Complete the online EPIC modules:**

Education Program for Immunization Competencies (EPIC)

14 Self-learning on line modules about immunization theory and essential immunization practice.

Approximately 22.5 hours to complete.

Refer to link to register: <https://www.cps.ca/en/epic-pfci>

**\* Speak to your Team Manager regarding funding for modules**

2. **Complete the recommended readings:**

(1) WRHA Regional Immunization Manual

<http://www.wrha.mb.ca/professionals/immunization/contents.php>

(2) Immunization Communication Tool for Immunizers: BCCDC

[http://www.bccdc.ca/resource-](http://www.bccdc.ca/resource-gallery/Documents/Guidelines%20and%20Forms/Guidelines%20and%20Manuals/Immunization/Vaccine%20Safety/BCCDCICT_300315.pdf)

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3. **Attend ½ day in-class immunization session:**

Immunization Guidelines & MB Health Schedule

Overview of the WRHA immunizing guidelines, vaccine administration, Influenza and School immunization programs as well as the Mb Health Immunization Schedule.

4. Arrange for a CD Coordinator to observe immunizations being provided at a clinic prior to being able to immunize independently.

PHN to arrange with assigned CD Coordinator. Ensure it is an immunization clinic where several immunizations will be provided.

\*This is to be arranged once all other requirements as above have been completed.