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Horizon now publishes a weekly COVID-19 report, intended to inform the media and public how COVID-19 cases are impacting our health care system — specifically staffing resources and active COVID-19 admissions.

This report will be updated once a week, with data from the previous week. The report is produced by Horizon's Performance Analytics team and can be viewed [here](#).

[Reminder to upload proof of booster dose of a COVID-19 vaccine](#)

Employees and salaried physicians can now upload their proof of their booster (third) dose of a COVID-19 vaccine in our [new online system](#). Fee for service physicians will show proof of

their booster dose of a COVID-19 vaccine to the medical staff office.

IMPORTANT NOTE: The employee health data base does not sync with pharmacies or the Horizon vaccination clinics. If you are unsure about us having this information, err on the side of caution and upload the proof into our new online system.

Options for using our new online system

1. Copy and paste link into Microsoft Edge **or** Google Chrome (Internet Explorer is **not** supported: <https://horizonnb.kicsdata.com/formentry.php?type=new&formId=5&launchedFrom=formList>)
2. Scan the QR code (on Page 2 of this summary bulletin) with your phone to access
3. Drop by one of our [help desks](#) to get support with the process
4. Drop by one of our libraries to get support with the process

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What do you need to upload proof in our new system?

- Your employee number
- Date of your third dose
- Type of COVID-19 booster vaccination received
- A PDF or image file showing your proof of third dose

The platform is accessible on a computer or smartphone, and at home or at your workplace.

GNB movement of physicians and staff

In light of the continued need for staffing support while managing the COVID-19 pandemic, recommendations are being made to safely enable the movement of staff and physicians between facilities in New Brunswick (health care facilities and long-term care facilities).



Administrators and managers of health care and long-term care facilities are strongly encouraged to work with their employees, especially those working in more than one location, to exercise the necessary precautions to minimize the risk of cross contamination of COVID-19 between facilities.

It is no longer necessary to restrict a health care worker to one facility. Even during an outbreak, employees of health care and long-term care facilities, including EM/ANB, may safely work in more than one facility to ensure such resources are available in facilities when needed, provided the points below will be considered:

1. The number of health care workers caring for COVID-19 patients should be minimized whenever possible.
2. Health care workers should be grouped to work only with COVID-19 patients whenever possible.
3. Health care workers deployed to outbreak facilities should undergo a PPE competency refresher.
4. Upon return to their primary work location, the employee should:
 - a. contact employee health services if they work in an acute care facility (or employer if they work outside of acute care).
 - b. undergo a risk assessment to determine if they can return to work.
 - c. continue to undergo daily symptom self-monitoring and if symptomatic, will remove themselves from the workplace and obtain PCR testing.

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- d. follow enhanced work precautions as directed by their employer.
- e. be tested according to facility guidelines.
Asymptomatic employees may work while awaiting test results.



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