

Vaccine Advocacy Resources

1) ARCH Disability Law: Experiencing Barriers to Vaccines? ARCH wants to learn more from you

- People who are “adult recipients of chronic home care” and experiencing barriers in accessing the vaccine are welcome to contact ARCH’s Summary Advice and Referral Service for free confidential legal advice toll-free at 1-866-482-2724 or by email at archintake@lao.on.ca.

ARCH wants to continue to develop thier understanding of the barriers facing persons with disabilities in getting the vaccine.

If you are an “adult recipient of chronic home care” and you:

- have received a COVID vaccine, OR
- are in the process of receiving one, OR
- have not been able to make an appointment to get the vaccine,

ARCH invites you to complete the questions below to track what is happening across the province. All answers will remain anonymous.

- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdCo5A7pm18-LVjsoj5b1UGMIPQ5ZScvMwsxc2_P1Nx5uh1uw/viewform

2) CILT's Disability Vaccine Outreach Initiative (DVOI)

will use funding from the City of Toronto to support Community Vaccine Engagement Clusters to build capacity on how to outreach to people with disabilities in their communities Disability by:

- engaging with grassroots disability organizations in the GTA to form a steering committee to lead the work
- Engaging a part-time project coordinator
- Working together to identify barriers to vaccines for people with disabilities
- Each disability organization will develop an outreach webinar specific to their membership and engage a Community Ambassador who will be a point of contact for people with disabilities who have questions or need support in accessing a vaccine

- Two training opportunities will be provided to offer Neighborhood Cluster engagement groups with an understanding of accessibility and how to support people with disabilities as part of their broader outreach efforts too.
- The Initiative will run from April 2021 to March 2022.
- For more information please contact:
David.Meyers@cilt.ca , David Meyers, CILT Senior Manager of Independent Living Programs

3) Ontario March of Dimes Mission Immunity

Advocacy Campaign: The vaccine rollout is being managed by the provincial government. Speak up and let your provincial representative (MPP) know about the needs of people with disabilities during the vaccine rollout and ask them to commit to a barrier-free vaccination process. There should be no roadblocks to immunity.

<https://www.marchofdimes.ca/en-ca/aboutus/govtrelations/elections/Pages/Mission-Immunity.aspx>

4) Include Me: Open Letter Regarding Vaccines for Disabled Canadians with Chronic Medical Conditions

February 18th, 2021. If you would like to add your organization's name, please email: bill@sci-can.ca

- <https://www.include-me.ca/making-canada-accessible-covid-19/blog/2021/03/open-letter-regarding-vaccines-disabled-canadians>

5) U.S.A. Action Toolkit for Vaccine Equity

- Created by Senior and Disability Action, #NoBodyIsDisposable Coalition, California Foundation for Independent Living Centers, and others
- https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pHfzTMZ4x2A3EFcGP7UrFDIM_y1poy1Ao6_y8m0xaEZU/edit?fbclid=IwAR3ucR_uDFfxSczku7YRbc6oC_KxfV548ab39sh6mKVy_WyWj24SgVjBrBhY