

## COVID-END Canadian horizon-scanning panel

22 June 2022, 12:00 – 1:00pm EDT

### Agenda

Item	Purpose	Time allotted
1. Welcome		5 min
2. Update about actions based on last call	<p>To summarize actions that have been taken by COVID-END and its partners</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on insights from the last call → See <b>next page</b> for three sets of living evidence products and processes undertaken as a result of the panel's input</li> <li>• More generally → <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Continued updates to the suite of living evidence syntheses about vaccine effectiveness (adults, children and adolescents, and waning immunity)</li> <li>○ Update to the evidence syntheses about vaccine effectiveness in the immunocompromised and about myocarditis among those vaccinated</li> <li>○ Rapid evidence synthesis about border measures</li> <li>○ Fully searchable version of the COVID-END inventory of evidence syntheses</li> <li>○ Complementary work on: 1) inventory of living evidence syntheses on public-health issues; 2) intersections between climate action and public health; and 3) monkey pox</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	5 min
3. Review of priorities	To hear from panelists about emergent issues (or previously missed long-term and recurring issues) that may need to be prioritized	35 min
4. Updates on Evidence Commission	<p>To provide an update about the Evidence Commission</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Three priorities: 1) formalizing and strengthening evidence-support systems; 2) enhancing the global evidence architecture; and 3) putting evidence at the centre of everyday life</li> <li>• Rapid jurisdictional assessments, with significant progress in engaging the Canadian federal government</li> </ul>	10 min
5. Other business		5 min

Documents from previous meetings can be found [here](#).

Upcoming panel meeting dates (all meetings to take place from 12-1 pm EDT):

- 28 September

#### Public health measures

- Support for re-framing from government mandates to personal responsibility, and why we need to keep helping others, including the immunocompromised, by taking precautions ourselves → New living behavioural-sciences document from Justin Proulx
- Effects of removals of vaccine and other mandates, and prepare for if/when we have to re-introduce measures
- Be alert to emergence of variants in, and transfer from, animal populations

#### Clinical management

- Mental health for public and health workforce → New living citizen panels and stakeholder dialogues on the HHR crisis and on mental wellness among the public and among providers
- Prescribing antivirals like Paxlovid (while supply constraints and given primary-care access challenges)

#### Health-system arrangements

- Health workforce crisis (50% with intention to leave) → New living citizens panels and stakeholder dialogues on the HRH crisis
- No separation of COVID-19 patients from other patients, and sometimes placing immunocompromised alongside those with COVID-19 symptoms
- Seniors' residences and other settings are easing off in how they support adherence to public-health measures
- Modes of clinical practice where large numbers of providers are off with COVID-19
- Surgical backlogs (funding but delivery)

#### Economic and social responses

- Public transportation for return to office