

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is effective on Friday, May 7, 2021.

BETWEEN

**The Government of Alberta, Canada
("Alberta")**

And

**The State of Montana, United States of America
("Montana")**

Collectively the "Participants"

WHEREAS fighting the spread of COVID-19 requires unprecedented international action and cooperation;

AND WHEREAS Montana and Alberta have long enjoyed strong and deep bonds of friendship founded on generations of shared historical, economic, social, and cultural experiences;

AND WHEREAS jobs and communities in both Montana and Alberta benefit from bilateral trade, tourism and the integration of markets and supply chains for goods and services across their economies;

AND WHEREAS maintaining the safe and efficient flow of goods and services across borders is essential for both the Alberta and Montana economies;

AND WHEREAS protecting the health and safety of truckers is a shared priority and critical to maintaining essential trade in goods across borders during the COVID-19 pandemic;

AND WHEREAS Alberta and Montana, in the spirit of close cooperation, are committed to collaborative efforts to protect the health and safety of their respective workers;

AND WHEREAS timely and effective administration of COVID-19 vaccinations is essential for public health and safety, and Montana has both sufficient vaccine supply and the public health capacity to vaccinate Albertans who desire it;

THEREFORE, Alberta and Montana have agreed to jointly establish the Montana- Alberta Cross-Border Vaccination Initiative (the "Initiative").

PURPOSE OF MOU

1. The purpose of this MOU is to enhance cooperation and collaboration to support the vaccination of Albertans from COVID-19.
2. This MOU does not create any legally binding obligation nor financial obligations. This MOU does not create any relationship of employment, agency, partnership or joint venture between the Participants.

IMPLEMENTATION

3. The Participants will endeavor to undertake the following activities:
 - a. Montana will endeavor to provide COVID-19 vaccinations to Alberta-based truckers who are transporting goods to or from the United States, provided vaccines are available;
 - b. Montana will endeavor to identify, prepare, and staff appropriate immunization sites, and supply and administer vaccines approved for use in both the United States and Canada;
 - c. Montana will provide proof of immunization to individuals who are vaccinated;
 - d. Alberta and Montana will cooperate in carrying out the Initiative and will consider establishing a joint operations group to manage the Initiative and meet the objectives of this MOU.
 - e. Alberta and Montana will endeavor to jointly determine opportunities for expanding the Initiative to vaccinate other Albertans in addition to truckers who are transporting goods to or from the United States.
4. The Participants acknowledge that this MOU, and all information exchanged between the Participants based on it, will be managed in accordance with legislation relating to protection of privacy and access to information applicable to each Participant. The Participants will endeavor to obtain written consent from the other prior to disclosing information exchanged under this MOU, unless the information is required to be disclosed by law.

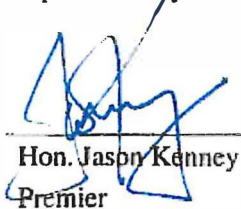
FUNDING

5. Unless otherwise agreed by the Participants, each Participant is responsible for the expenses the Participant incurs for implementing this MOU.

TERM AND AMENDMENT

6. This MOU comes into effect on the date first written above and will remain in effect for six months. This MOU may be extended by a written agreement of the Participants.
7. A Participant may terminate this MOU by giving, at least six (6) weeks in advance, a written notice to the other Participant.
8. Termination of this MOU does not affect the activities under this MOU initiated before the termination until its completion, unless otherwise agreed by the Participants.
9. This MOU may be signed in counterparts, in which case the counterparts together shall constitute one fully signed MOU.

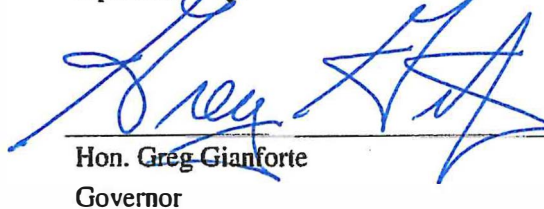
Government of Alberta as
represented by:


Hon. Jason Kenney
Premier

May 7, 2021
Date



The State of Montana as
represented by:


Hon. Greg Gianforte
Governor

5/7/2021
Date

