



Update regarding interim Canadian recommendations for the use of a fractional dose of yellow fever vaccine during a vaccine shortage

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The *Interim Canadian recommendations for the use of fractional dose of yellow fever vaccine during a vaccine shortage* (1) published in August 2016 were developed by the Committee to Advise on Tropical Medicine and Travel (CATMAT) to address the recent shortage of yellow fever vaccine supply. The licensed marketer of the yellow fever vaccine in Canada has taken measures to address the shortage and a normal supply of vaccines is now available to designated yellow fever vaccination centres. The interim recommendations (1) are only intended for use during a vaccine shortage and CATMAT no longer recommends the use of a fractional dose of the yellow fever vaccine. Please refer to the standard recommendations for yellow fever vaccination in the *Canadian Immunization Guide* (2) and in the *CATMAT Statement for Travellers and Yellow Fever* (3).

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