

Chamber Releases Results of Vaccine Passport/Document Poll Over 73% of businesses do not support a passport

August 25, 2021, Saint John NB: The Saint John Region Chamber of Commerce today released the results of a Vaccine Passport Poll designed to gauge the level of support for or against the idea of vaccine documentation. The poll also asked for the respondents to identify the sector that they work within and would they ask for such a document of their customers.

With over 1,000 responses the Chamber was able to get a clear picture of the attitude in the business community. 73% of responses were not in favour of a passport/document to indicate vaccination status, and 86% also indicated they would not ask their patrons for such a document.

Of the sectors identified in the results, most were from the retail, healthcare, hospitality, and government sectors.

"Businesses are concerned that further requirements will add to already overburdened staff, when the uncertainty over the legal ramifications are added in, businesses are left with a higher level of risk", says David Duplisea, CEO of the Chamber. Businesses do however support the requirement for some type of vaccination proof for international travel and large gatherings.

Sample size: 2057 Response:1075

Percent response: 52.26%

In favour of passport: 269, 25% Not in favour: 788, 73.3% Undecided: 18, 1,67%

Would you ask for proof vaccine:

Yes: 145, 13.49% No: 930, 86.51%

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