

SUBJECT: First Reported Case of Influenza, 2021-2022 Season
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Background

Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health (WDGPH) is reporting the first laboratory confirmed case of influenza for the season. This is the first locally reported **Influenza A** case since April 2020. Increasing emergency department visits are also occurring related to acute respiratory symptoms.

The [Ontario Respiratory Pathogen Bulletin](#) reports one positive Influenza case in all of Ontario. In week 38, influenza activity across Canada was exceptionally low, with all regions reporting no influenza activity. The next [weekly influenza report](#) for Canada will be published on October 15.

Flu Vaccine Availability

Influenza vaccine is available to order. Please refer to the [Physician Update](#) sent on September 17, 2021 and accompanying [order form](#).

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