

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #141

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Purpose of bulletin: To keep local stakeholders informed about COVID-19 and its implications for Wellington County, Dufferin County and the City of Guelph (WDG).

All editions of this bulletin are posted on [our website](#). Bulletins are published on Thursdays, every other week.

Surveillance

- Information about [cases in WDG](#) can be found on our website.
- Information about [vaccination progress in WDG](#) can be found on our website.
- Information about institutional outbreaks can be found in the [Retirement and Long-Term Care Outbreak Bulletin](#).

New and Amended Directives and Regulations

- [Directive #6 for COVID-19 Vaccination Policy in Health Settings](#) (February 2)
- [Directive #6 Questions & Answers](#) (February 2)
- [Directive #2: for Health Care Providers \(Regulated Health Professionals or Persons who Operate a Group Practice of Regulated Health Professionals\)](#) (February 1)
- [Directive #2 Questions & Answers](#) (February 1)
- [Ontario Regulation 364/20 - Rules for Step 3](#) (amended January 31)
- [Minister's Directive to Home and Community Care Support Services, Ontario Health, and Home and Community Care Health Service Providers: Personal Support Services Temporary Wage Enhancement in Response to COVID-19](#) (January 24)

Long-Term Care and Retirement Home Guidance and Directives

- [COVID-19 Guidance Document for Long-Term Care Homes in Ontario](#) (January 28)
- [Minister's Directive: Long-Term Care Home COVID-19 Immunization Policy](#) (effective January 27)
- [Retirement Homes Policy to Implement Directive #3](#) (January 26)

Screening Tools and Guidance for Workplaces

- [Proof of Vaccination Guidance for Businesses and Organizations under the Reopening Ontario Act](#) (effective January 31)
- [COVID-19 Screening Tool for Workplaces \(Customer screening\)](#) (January 31)
- [COVID-19 Screening Tool for Workplaces \(Worker and employee screening\)](#) (January 31)

- [COVID-19 Signage Questions for Businesses and Organizations](#) (January 18)

COVID-19 Vaccine Guidance and Resources

- [COVID-19 Vaccine Bulletin #41](#) (February 2)
- [COVID-19 Guidance for Individuals Vaccinated outside of Ontario/Canada](#) (February 1)
- [COVID-19 Vaccination in Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Clinical Support Tool](#) (January 25)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Errors and Deviations Guidance](#) (January 25)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Bulletin #40](#) (January 20)

Resources for Travellers

- [COVID-19: Fully Vaccinated Travellers and Children Less Than 12 Years Old Arriving from a Country Other Than the U.S. or Canada](#) (January 31)
- [COVID-19: For Travellers Over 12 Without Symptoms Who are Medically Exempt From Receiving a Vaccination](#) (January 31)
- [COVID-19: Requirements for Fully Vaccinated Travellers and Unvaccinated Children Less Than 12 Years of Age](#) (January 31)
- [For Unvaccinated Travellers Without Symptoms of COVID-19 Arriving in Canada by Land, Air or Water](#) (January 31)
- [COVID-19: For Persons Exempt from Entry Prohibitions, and Quarantine and Testing Requirements](#) (January 31)
- [For Travellers with COVID-19 Symptoms Arriving in Canada by Land, Air or Water](#) (January 31)

“Parent Homework” COVID-19 campaign

Children’s Health Coalition has launched a new campaign to help parents get up to speed on the COVID-19 vaccine for kids. The campaign features a new website: parenthomework.ca that offers reliable resources to families with the facts about the COVID-19 vaccine, a curated list of frequently asked questions specific to the five to 11 age group, and helps parents “talk to a tutor” through the SickKids COVID-19 Vaccine Consult Service.

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On January 28, the [Government of Canada](#) announced the lifting of some border measures.

Additional Resources

- [COVID-19 Guidance for Taxi and Drive Support](#) (February 3)
- [COVID-19 Mask Use: Types of Masks and Respirators](#) (February 1)
- [Omicron in Ontario: Risk Analysis for Approaching Public Health Measures in Winter 2022](#) (published January 31)
- [COVID-19 Omicron Variant Sub-lineage BA.2: Available Evidence and Risk Assessment](#) (published January 31)

- [Restaurant and Food Services Health and Safety During COVID-19](#) (January 31)
- [Construction Site Health and Safety During COVID-19](#) (January 31)
- [Get the Facts: Vaccinating Children Against COVID-19](#) (January 28)
- [COVID-19 Variant of Concern Omicron \(B.1.1.529\): Risk Assessment, January 26, 2022](#) (published January 28)

Contact Information for Additional Support

Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre

Services are offered in 300 languages and include accessible services. For questions about COVID-19 vaccine, (not related to appointments or clinics) vaccine receipts, and vaccine passports:

- Call 1-833-943-3900
- Available 7 days a week, 8 a.m. – 8 p.m.

WDGPH COVID-19 Call Centre

For health-related questions, and questions or concerns from the community beyond COVID-19:

- Call 519-822-2715 ext. 7006
- Available Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

For non-health related questions, including business or workplace concerns, social distancing/face covering questions or non-emergency reporting questions:

- Call 519-822-2715 ext. 4020
- Available Monday – Friday from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

For COVID-19 vaccine appointment booking help: (**Please note that appointments can be booked online at: wdgpublichealth.ca/appointments.**)

- Call 1-844-780-0202
- Available Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Note: Call Centre hours may be affected by a holiday. Visit our website for holiday hours.

COVID-19 Vaccination Appointments

[Book a vaccination appointment online](#). Information about vaccine drop-ins and eligibility is available on our website at: <https://wdgpublichealth.ca/drop-ins>.

COVID-19 Testing

Confirm you are [eligible for COVID-19 testing](#). If so, please visit [COVID-19 test and testing location information](#) for a list of testing locations. If you have been tested and need to access your results visit [how to get your COVID-19 test results](#).



Reliable Information Sources

Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health: www.wdgpUBLICHEALTH.ca

Ontario Ministry of Health: www.ontario.ca/coronavirus

Public Health Agency of Canada: www.canada.ca/coronavirus

Ontario Emergency Information: www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-information