

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #143

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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](#).

Guidance for Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes

- [Retirement Homes Policy to Implement Directive #3](#) (March 1)
- [COVID-19 Guidance Document for Long-Term Care Homes in Ontario](#) (February 25)

Screening Tools and Guidance for Businesses and Workplaces

- [COVID-19 Signage Questions for Businesses and Organizations](#) (March 1)
- [COVID-19 Worker and Employee Screening](#) (updated March 1)

Covid-19 Vaccine Resources

- [COVID-19 Vaccine Administration](#) (February 24)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Bulletin #42](#) (February 22)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Information Sheet \(age 12+\)](#) (February 22)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Information Sheet for Children \(age 5-11\)](#) (February 22)

Resources for Travellers

- [COVID-19: For Travellers Over 12 Without Symptoms Who Are Medically Exempt from Receiving a Vaccination](#) (February 28)
- [COVID-19: Requirements for Fully Vaccinated Travellers and Unvaccinated Children Less Than 12 years of Age](#) (February 28)
- [For Travellers With COVID-19 Symptoms Arriving in Canada by Land, Air or Water](#) (February 28)

- [For Persons Exempt from Entry Prohibitions, and Quarantine and Testing Requirements \(February 28\)](#)
- [For Unvaccinated Travellers Without Symptoms of COVID-19 Arriving in Canada by Land, Air or Water \(February 28\)](#)

Ontario Moves into the Roadmap Exit Step

Effective Tuesday, March 1, the following public health measures were lifted:

- capacity limits in all indoor public settings
- proof of vaccination requirements, with [businesses being allowed to implement them voluntarily](#)

Other protective measures, such as the requirements for: face coverings, posting of passive screening signage, and availability of a COVID-19 safety plan will continue to be in place. For more information on requirements under the Roadmap Exit step, refer to [Schedules 4-5 of Ontario Regulation 364/20](#) or visit the [provincial overview](#) of rules currently in effect.

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On February 24, [Health Canada](#) announced it authorized Medicigo's Covifenz COVID-19 vaccine for the prevention of COVID-19 in adults 18 to 64 years of age.
- On February 23, the [Government of Canada](#) announced it signed a new conditional agreement with AstraZeneca for 100,000 doses of its antibody therapy, Evusheld, for the prevention (pre-exposure prophylaxis) of COVID-19.
- On February 17, [Health Canada](#) announced it authorized Novavax's [Nuvaxovid COVID-19 vaccine](#) for the prevention of COVID-19 in adults 18 years of age and older.

Additional Resources

- [COVID-19 Mask Use: Types of Masks and Respirators \(February 28\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Variant of Concern Omicron \(B.1.1.529\): Risk Assessment, February 23, 2022 \(published February 25\)](#)
- [Focus on Considerations for Population Immunity and Endemicity \(February 18\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Guidance for Congregate Living Settings Funded and Licensed by MCCSS \(updated February 18\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Transmission Through Short and Long-Range Respiratory Particles \(February\)](#)
- [Public Health Measures and COVID-19 Epidemiology in Select Jurisdictions \(Current up to February 2, 2022\) \(published February 10\)](#)

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, booking or rescheduling a vaccination appointment, and questions or concerns 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.

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