

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #146

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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 Ministry Guidance

- [COVID-19 Provincial Testing Guidance](#) (April 11)
- [Management of Cases and Contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario](#) (April 11)

COVID-19 Vaccine Guidance and Resources

- [What You Need to Know About Viral Vector Vaccines](#) (April 8)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Third Dose and Booster Recommendations](#) (April 6)
- [What You Need to Know About mRNA Vaccines](#) (April 5)
- [Staying Up to Date with COVID-19 Vaccines: Recommended Doses](#) (March 31)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Information Sheet \(age 12+\)](#) (March 31)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Errors and Deviations Guidance](#) (March 24)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Storage and Handling Guidance](#) (March 24)

Guidance for Congregate Settings

- [COVID-19 Guidance: Congregate Living for Vulnerable Populations](#) (March 30)

Employers of Temporary Foreign Workers

- [COVID-19 Farmer Toolkit](#) (updated April 12)

Guidance for Travellers

- [Fully Vaccinated Travellers Entering Canada During COVID-19](#) (April 7)

- [COVID-19: For Travellers Over 12 Without Symptoms Who are Medically Exempt from Receiving a Vaccination](#) (April 1)
- [COVID-19: Requirements for Fully Vaccinated Travellers and Unvaccinated Children Less than 12 Years of Age](#) (April 1)
- [For Unvaccinated Travellers Without Symptoms of COVID-19 Arriving in Canada by Land, Air or Water](#) (April 1)
- [For Travellers With COVID-19 Symptoms Arriving in Canada by Land, Air or Water](#) (April 1)
- [Entering or Leaving Canada by Cruise Ship During COVID-19](#) (April 1)
- [Entering Canada by Pleasure Craft \(Recreational Boat\) During COVID-19](#) (April 1)

Booster Doses for Eligible Populations

As per [NACI's Initial guidance on a second booster dose of COVID-19 vaccine](#) and the [Government of Ontario's announcement on April 6, 2022](#), WDG Public Health is offering a second booster dose (for most people it will be their fourth dose) to eligible populations. [Information on eligible populations and intervals](#) is available on our booster dose webpage. Visit wdgpublichealth.ca/appointments or call 1-800-265-7293 ext. 7006 to book an appointment.

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On April 14, [Health Canada](#) authorized Evusheld for the prevention of COVID-19 in immune compromised adults and children.
- On April 11, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is expanding eligibility for COVID-19 antiviral treatments and PCR testing to more high-risk individuals.
- On April 8, [the Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau](#), announced \$220 million in additional funding to support COVID-19 vaccination needs in lower income countries.
- On April 6, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is introducing legislation to ensure that a healthy and robust stockpile of personal protective equipment (PPE) and critical supplies and equipment (CSE) is available at all times.
- On April 4, the [Government of Canada](#) announced it is launching the second cycle of the Canadian COVID-19 Antibody and Health Survey (CCAHS which aims to better understand the impacts of the pandemic on the health and well-being of Canadians.

Additional Resources

- [COVID-19 Omicron Variant Sub-lineage BA.2: Evidence and Risk Assessment \(up to date as of April 5, 2022\)](#) (April 8)
- [Self-isolation: Guide for Caregivers, Household Members and Close Contacts](#) (April 7)
- [How to Protect Yourself from COVID-19](#) (April 7)
- [Preventing COVID-19 in People at Increased Risk of Severe Illness](#) (April 7)
- [Mask Use for the Workplace \(Non-Healthcare Settings\)](#) (April 7)
- [How to Self-isolate](#) (March 31)

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.

Client and Community Support Call Centre

For questions or to book or reschedule appointments:

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

The Client and Community Support Call Centre will be closed on Friday, April 15 and re-open on Monday, April 18 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