

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #75

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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).

Please note that all editions of this Bulletin are posted on [our website](#).

Current WDG Zone Level: [Restrict – Orange \(O. Reg 364/20\)](#)

Surveillance

- Information about cases in WDG can be found on [our website](#)
- Information about institutional outbreaks can be found in the [Retirement and Long-Term Care Outbreak Bulletin](#)
- Information about local assessment centres and testing is available on [our website](#)

New and Amended Guidance

- Ministry of Health's [Guidance for Restaurants and Food Services](#) (November 27)
- Ministry of Education's [Guide to Reopening Ontario's Schools](#) (Updated: November 27)
- WDGPH's [COVID-19 Checklist for Special Events and Gatherings](#) (November 26)
- WDGPH's [Mask Guidance for Parents](#) (December 1)

Collecting Patron Information

[Ontario Regulation 364/20: Rules for Areas in Stage 3](#) and [Ontario Regulation 263/20: Rules for Areas in Stage 2](#) require establishment operators to record the name and contact information of every patron that enters an establishment such as food premises, meeting and event spaces, personal service settings, facilities for sports and recreational activities, cinemas or performing arts venues, casinos and gaming establishment, tour guide services. Operators must maintain these records for at least one month.

Food Premises:

- [WDGPH Notice to Collect Patron Information Poster](#) - November 27
- [WDGPH Contact Information for Patrons Form](#) - November 23

Other Sectors:

- [WDGPH Notice to Collect Patron Information Poster](#) – November 27
- [WDGPH Contact Information for Patrons Form](#) – November 23

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On December 1, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is investing \$550,000 to help local manufacturers retool their operations and increase capacity in the manufacturing of masks for both adults and children.
- On November 30, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is providing financial relief for families facing new education-related expenses in the COVID-19 era with support totalling \$380 million.
- On November 29, the [Government of Canada](#) announced that Canada will extend the Mandatory Isolation Order and temporary travel restrictions for all travelers seeking entry into Canada from a country other than the US, until January 21, 2021.
- On November 27, the [Government of Canada](#) announced that Major General Dany Fortin is being named Vice President Logistics and Operations at the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) to assist with COVID-19 vaccine distribution.
- On November 27, the [Government of Canada](#) announced that an additional \$14 million has been made available to regional and community sport organizations as they manage challenges due to the pandemic.
- On November 27, the [Government of Ontario](#) called on the federal government to immediately lay out its plan to allocate COVID-19 vaccines across the country as the province continues to prepare for the distribution and administration of COVID-19 vaccine doses.
- On November 27, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is moving five public health regions to new levels with stronger public health measures.
- On November 27, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced that ServiceOntario is now offering appointment booking at 42 of its busiest locations to minimize lineups and wait times for customers and help staff safely facilitate services.
- On November 27, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced a commitment of up to \$11.5 million through the Canadian Agricultural Partnership (the Partnership) for two new programs, one of which will assist meat processors on projects to rapidly increase processing capacity, and one that will help farmers adjust to current market challenges.
- On November 27, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is investing up to \$15 million to expand the Community Paramedicine for Long-Term Care program.
- On November 26, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is launching a new, easy to use, online application and streamlined process to apply for social assistance, providing critical financial supports to those affected by COVID-19.

Additional Resources

- [Selection and Placement of ABHR during COVID-19 in Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes](#) (November 4)
- [Preparing for and Managing COVID-19 Outbreaks in Long-Term Care and Retirement Homes](#) (November 17)
- [IPAC Extenders October 2020](#) (November 27, 2020)

Contact Information for Additional Support

WDGPH COVID-19 Call Centre

- **For health-related questions**, including symptoms, close contacts or travel:
 - Call 519-822-2715 ext. 7006
 - Available Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 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 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

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