

## COVID-19 Information Bulletin #77

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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](#)
  - Please note a feature has been added to [status of cases](#) to provide a comparison of COVID-19 cases by municipality. To view a case comparison map, click on 'Cases by Municipality'.
- 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

- CMOH's [COVID-19 Directive #3 for Long-Term Care Homes under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007](#) (Updated December 7, effective December 9)
- WDGPH's [COVID-19 Guidance Checklist for Day Camps](#) (December 7)
- WDGPH's [Guidance For PD Day Program & Designated Holiday Programs](#) (December 7)
- National Advisory Committee on Immunization's (NACI) [Guidance on the Prioritization of Initial Doses of COVID-19](#) (December 4)

### Announcements and Changes to Services

- On December 7, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is ready to distribute COVID-19 vaccines as soon as they are received, beginning with vaccinating vulnerable populations and those who care for them.
- On December 7, the [Government of Canada](#) announced it is receiving up to 249,000 doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine in December 2020, contingent on Health Canada authorization of the vaccine.
- On December 7, the [Government of Canada](#) announced it has awarded a contract to FedEx Express Canada and Innomar Strategies Inc., for an end-to-end COVID-19 logistics solution for COVID-19 vaccines.

- On December 4, the [Government of Canada](#) announced \$23.2 million in funding for Colleges and Institutes Canada (CICan) to develop and implement an accelerated online program to train approximately 4,000 new personal support worker interns.
- On December 4, the [Government of Canada](#) announced that eligible businesses facing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic can access a second CEBA loan of up to \$20,000 – on top of the initial \$40,000 that was available to small businesses.
- On December 4, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is moving three public health regions to new levels with stronger public health measures as set out in the [Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework](#).
- On December 4, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced the appointment of nine members of the new [Ministers' COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Task Force](#).
- On December 3, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is investing nearly \$4.4 million to help the tourism industry deliver innovative, safe experiences, like virtual festivals and events, and support tourism operators as they deal with the impacts of COVID-19.

## Additional Resources

- [Celebrate Safely During COVID-19](#) (Updated December 7)
- [COVID-19 Immunization Plan](#) (December 4)
- [COVID-19 Vaccines for Ontario](#)

## 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](http://www.wdgpublichealth.ca)

Ontario Ministry of Health: [www.ontario.ca/coronavirus](http://www.ontario.ca/coronavirus)

Public Health Agency of Canada: [www.canada.ca/coronavirus](http://www.canada.ca/coronavirus)

Ontario Emergency Information: [www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-information](http://www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-information)