

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #91

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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](#).

Current WDG Zone Level: [Provincewide Shutdown – Grey](#), ([O. Reg. 82/20](#))

Please note that [Ontario Regulation 82/20](#) was amended on February 4, 2021 to include the additional measures announced by the [Government of Ontario](#), as outlined in [Enhancing Public Health and Workplace Safety Measures in the Provincewide Shutdown](#).

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 [vaccination progress in WDG](#) can be found on our website

Return to In-Person Learning

On February 3, Education Minister Stephen Lecce announced the dates for the [return of in-person learning](#) in all remaining Ontario public health units. Public and private elementary and secondary schools in WDG region have been approved to return to in-person learning on Monday, February 8. Before and after school child care programs are also permitted to resume on February 8; therefore, February 5 will be the last day for emergency child care.

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On February 4, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced that it is providing [CEM Specialties Inc.](#) (CEMSI) \$2 million through the Ontario Together Fund to help commercialize and accelerate production of its airborne COVID-19 detector Kontrol BioCloud (BioCloud).
- On February 2, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced that ongoing vaccine delays and reduced shipments have forced them to [update their goal](#) of completing the administration of first doses of COVID-19 vaccines to residents in each long-term care, high-risk retirement and First Nations elder care home to February 10.
- On February 2, the [Government of Canada](#) announced an investment of more than \$64 million through the Immunization Partnership Fund (IPF) to help partners across the country in Canada increase COVID-19 vaccination uptake.

- On February 2, [the Prime Minister, Justin Trudeau](#) announced the government has signed a memorandum of understanding with Novavax to pursue the production of its COVID-19 vaccine at the National Research Council of Canada's Biologics Manufacturing Centre in Montréal.

Additional Resources

- [COVID-19 Vaccine Bulletin #9](#) (February 3)

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.
- 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.

Please do not call Public Health for your test results. Visit [how to get your COVID-19 test results](#).

Visit our website for information about [local assessment centres and testing](#).

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