

# **COVID-19 Vaccine Bulletin 31**Vaccine Questions & Ontario's Vaccine Status

#### **Quick Updates**

- Check out <u>Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph's vaccination dashboard</u>. The total number of doses administered in Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (WDG) is 346,878.
- Anyone who requires a FIRST DOSE can DROP-IN at any of WDGPH clinic sites during clinic hours. In the rare event that vaccine is not available they will be booked for the next available day. See <u>clinic locations/times on website</u>.
- All residents/workers of WDG who received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine are eligible to book/re-book their second dose appointment (at least 28 days from first dose). You no longer need to pre-register OR wait for an email or text notification to book an appointment:
  - Go to <u>wdgpublichealth.inputhealth.com/ebooking</u> to book, re-book, or cancel an appointment. Please <u>read the instructions</u> before proceeding to the booking system.
- When there are last-minute <u>extra second dose appointments</u> at a WDGPH clinic, a
  notice will be posted on social media at which point residents can drop-in for a second dose
  appointment. People can follow these updates on: <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> or <u>Instagram</u>.
- There is a Vaccine Booking Helpline: 1-844-780-0202 (Mon-Fri, 8 am to 8 pm) for anyone who has issues booking an appointment online.
- Starting Thursday, July 15th, primary care providers will have access to curated lists of their patients that have been vaccinated – more details to come soon. Health care providers must be registered with <u>ONE ID</u> in order to access this list. Review this <u>eHealth</u> <u>Ontario website</u> for more information.

# Vaccine Status for Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph

79% of residents	<b>52%</b> of residents
12+ received one	<b>12+</b> received two
dose	doses
Maximum number of doses administered in one week = 37,620	Total number of doses given in primary care office or pharmacy = 79,136

Age Group	First Dose	Second Dose
60+	94%	83%
50-59	83%	58%
40-49	78%	50%
30-39	74%	41%
20-29	66%	32%
12-19	65%	17%



#### **Vaccine Questions**

## When will younger children be able to get the COVID-19 vaccine?

 Both Pfizer and Moderna began clinical trials in children 6 months to 11 years old in March 2021. It is expected that Pfizer will have full results for those who are 5 to 11 years of age in September and results for those who are 6 months to 4 years old in November. Health Canada is currently reviewing Moderna's application for those aged 12 to 17.

#### What do we know about the Lambda variant?

 The Lambda (C.37) variant was first identified in Peru in the summer of 2020 and was named a <u>variant of interest by the World Health Organization</u> in June 2021. It has been associated with increased rates of community transmission in several countries especially in South America. Small numbers of the variant have been reported in Canada. Currently, there is no evidence to suggest that the vaccines are not protective against the Lambda variant. View comments by Chief Public Health officer Dr. Theresa Tam.

### What is the status of myocarditis and pericarditis in Ontario?

As of July 3, 2021, there have been 74 reports of myocarditis or pericarditis following receipt of COVID-19 mRNA vaccines in Ontario. The median age was 25, the median time to onset was 3 days, and 77% of the cases were male. Of the 74 reports, 58% required hospitalization (0 fatal cases) and the median length of stay in the hospital was 2 days. Generally, hospitalizations were for monitoring purposes and only for a brief period of time. For more detailed information, review Public Health Ontario's Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFIs) for COVID-19 in Ontario: December 13, 2929 to July 3, 2021.

# Ontario's Vaccine Implementation Update (July 8, 2021)

- Ontario has administered 16.3 million vaccine doses with an average of 195,150 vaccines administered daily.
- More than 78% of adult Ontarians have received at least one dose and 51% have received two doses.
- Ontario continues to match or exceed the fastest pace of first dose vaccine administration seen in Israel and is exceeding the pace in the US and UK. Ontario has surpassed first dose population coverage in the US, the UK and Israel.
- Over the last month (May 15, 2021 to June 12, 2021), there were 29,380 COVID-19 cases reported. Of these cases 83% had not been vaccinated at all, 16% were partially vaccinated, and 1% were fully vaccinated (breakthrough cases).



## **Reliable Sources of Information on Vaccines**

WDGPH Vaccine Administration Training

Public Health Agency of Canada

Government of Ontario

Ministry of Health

Public Health Ontario

Centre for Effective Practice (CEP)

World Health Organization

COVID-19 Studies from the World Health Organization Database

Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)