The Peterborough Interagency Vaccine Planning Team



Serving the residents of Curve Lake and Hiawatha First Nations, and the County and City of Peterborough

COVID-19 Vaccine

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COVID-19 Vaccine Status

Peterborough received more vaccine supply the week of February 22. These vaccines are being used at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre (PRHC) COVID-19 vaccine clinic that has started this week. This clinic is serving Long-term Care Home (LTCH) staff, LTCH essential caregivers, and highest priority healthcare workers. The recent vaccine supply is also providing LTCH residents with their second dose of the vaccine.

Health Canada announced on February 26 that AstraZeneca's COVID-19 vaccine has been approved. More details to come on how this will be integrated into Peterborough's plan. Public education on AstraZeneca's COVID-19 vaccine is being planned.

Phase 1 Planning

The province has announced that priority groups in Phase 1 are now able to be vaccinated concurrently as supply allows. PIVPT will be reviewing plans to see how this may impact the vaccine roll out locally.

Clinics for First Nations, senior congregate living residents and staff, and Very High priority healthcare workers will begin in the coming weeks.

Peterborough will be participating in a pilot to assist with the provincial launch of its COVax booking system. The provincial launch is anticipated for March 15th. Immunization of adults 80 years and over and homecare patients is dependent on having access to the provincial COVax tool.

Visit the Peterborough Public Health COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution and Implementation Plan for more details.

Phase 2 Planning

The working group continues to plan for mass immunization clinics for Phase 2 of the Ontario COVID-19
Vaccine Distribution Plan.
At this time, locations of clinics are being finalized for both the City and County.

Communications Update

Peterborough Public Health will reach out to the 80+ population with information on how to book an appointment to receive the COVID-19 vaccine and with guidance for people that will need to consult with their healthcare provider prior to booking their immunization appointment.

The COVID-19 Healthcare Professionals <u>webpage</u> has been updated to include guidance for special populations who wish to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

Please visit the Peterborough Public Health <u>vaccine webpage</u> for up to date information on the COVID-19 vaccine. This webpage contains information on:

- 1) Weekly COVID-19 Vaccine Status
- 2) Peterborough Public Health COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution and Implementation Plan
- 3) Peterborough Inter-Agency Vaccine Planning Team Updates