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

As of March 11, 10,320 COVID-19 vaccines have been administered in Peterborough region. Peterborough is continuing to receive a steady supply of vaccines. These doses will be used in the coming weeks to vaccinate high priority healthcare workers, retirement home and senior congregate living setting residents, and people born in 1941 and before.

On March 11, Peterborough received the first shipment of AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccines. These vaccines will be used as part of a provincial pilot for people aged 60-64. The vaccines will be administered by primary care physicians. Physicians will be reaching out to their patients directly to book an appointment for this pilot.

Phase 1 Planning

Peterborough Public Health is preparing for the launch of the provincial vaccine appointment booking system, COVax. The system will launch on March 15 and be available for people born in 1941 or before to book vaccine appointments. A telephone booking service is also being offered to City and County residents as another option for booking an appointment for this population.

Clinics for chronic homecare patients are being planned. Support for people that may not have access to transportation is part of this planning.

Indigenous Clinic Planning

First dose vaccine clinics at Curve Lake First Nation are complete. Peterborough Public Health is supporting clinics starting at Hiawatha First Nation and urban Indigenous clinics. Both will be starting in the coming weeks.

Phase 2 Planning

Phase 2 planning group is working with provincial guidance for prioritization of populations in phase 2. Although more vaccine is expected, we are still awaiting a four-week forecast of vaccine shipments in order to work on the details. Phase 2 is set to begin in Ontario in April. The group is working closely with the City and County to plan for additional sites for vaccine clinics.

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

Communications Update

Communications package is being sent out to partner agencies to support communication of vaccine clinics for people born in 1941 and before. This package includes information on preparing to book an appointment,

directions for how to book an appointment, and COVID-19 safety guidance for after being vaccinated. All information will also be available on the Peterborough Public Health <u>vaccine webpage</u>.

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
- 4) Vaccine resources for Healthcare Professionals