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

The provincial vaccine booking system, COVax, launched on March 15. People born in 1941 or before are able to book vaccine appointments for three clinic locations taking place in the next week. As of March 19, 13,911 vaccines have been administered in Peterborough region.

The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) has expanded their recommendation for the AstraZeneca vaccine to all age groups. The province announced today its plans to provide the AstraZeneca vaccine to individuals 60 years old and over, through Ontario pharmacies and primary care practices. We expect more details to follow shortly.

Phase 1 Planning

Phase 1 populations are on track to receive their first dose by the end of March. First dose clinics have been completed in senior congregate living settings, including retirement homes. Second dose clinics start for these populations next week.

Immunization Clinics for Peterborough residents born in or before 1941 start today and continue for the next week. Adult chronic home care patients that are mobile are now booking for clinics taking place the following week. We continue to make plans for vaccinating home-bound patients.

Clinics for Healthcare workers are ongoing at PRHC clinic. Appointments for moderate priority healthcare workers will open up in the next week.

Phase 2 Planning

Phase 2 Peterborough County clinic locations are being finalized. PIVPT is waiting on further provincial direction on the Phase 2 priority populations. Just following the PIVPT meeting, the Premier announced that starting on Monday, March 22nd, Ontarians aged 75 plus will be able to start booking appointments for their COVID vaccinations. Please check our website for more information, coming soon!

Indigenous Clinic Update

First dose clinics have been completed at Curve Lake and Hiawatha First Nations. Peterborough Public Health continues to assist with urban Indigenous first dose clinics. Second dose clinics are being planned for April.

Communications Update

Communications are planned to continue to reach and support the different age-intervals and other priority populations as they become eligible for immunizations. Guidance documents for booking, attending the appointment, and COVID-19 safety after being vaccinated can be found on the Peterborough Public Health vaccine webpage.

Promotion of the <u>vaccine consent form</u> is underway as individuals need to have reviewed this to verbally attest to the consent at the time of appointment.

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 Inter-Agency Vaccine Planning Team Updates
- 3) Vaccine resources for Healthcare Professionals