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 Thursday May 20, 64,199 first doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered to Peterborough region residents. This means that 52.3% of residents over the age of 18 have now received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. The province also announced their <u>re-opening plan</u> which includes percentages of immunized populations as one of the key indicators to reopening the province. For example, 60% of the eligible population must be immunized with a first dose in order for Step One of the reopening to occur.

On May 11, all residents 18 year of age and over became eligible to book a vaccine appointment. The province announced this afternoon that 12 to 17 year old will be given access to book appointments starting Sunday, May 23rd. These openings have increased the number of residents able to book vaccine appointments without concurrent increases to the projected vaccine allotments. Peterborough continues to experience limited vaccine appointments as a result. Peterborough Public Health expects more appointments to open for the end of June.

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic Update

The vaccine clinic at the Evinrude Centre is back to operating seven days a week. In June, this clinic will move to a larger space at the Evinrude Centre. This clinic will be able to administer over 1200 vaccines in a day when it is running at full capacity.

In mid-June, the Evinrude Centre clinic will be a location for our youth and family clinics. Peterborough Public Health is planning to welcome individuals 12-17 years of age and their families for first doses. Youth will be able to receive their second doses before mid-August, in time to be fully immunized for school in September.

The clinic at Peterborough Regional Health Centre (PRHC) has begun vaccinating the highest priority healthcare workers with their second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. PRHC is reaching out to this group and expects more appointments to open next week. This clinic will be joining the provincial booking system in the coming weeks and members of the public will be able to book first dose appointments at this clinic.

Curve Lake First Nation and Hiawatha First Nation are planning their clinics for individuals 12-17 years of age. Hiawatha First Nation is hosting a second dose vaccine clinic today for adults. A second dose urban Indigenous clinic is planned for the beginning of June. Individuals will be contacted directly to book an appointment for this clinic.

Community Vaccine Clinic Update

Mobile vaccine clinics for first dose appointments for homebound patients of chronic care recipients are complete. More mobile clinics are being planned for those living in a shelter or precariously housed.

This week, select pharmacy locations in Peterborough region will begin administering first doses of the Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines. By the end of the month, 26 local pharmacies will be administering the vaccines. Supply will be limited for the next few weeks as pharmacies begin administering. Visit the provincial vaccine pharmacy locations webpage for more information.

Primary care partners are actively planning on how best to deliver Moderna or Pfizer vaccine to their patients. The current plan is to use the provincial booking system and provide residents the option of receiving their vaccine later in the evening. Primary care is also awaiting additional direction from the province on the delivery of second doses of the AstraZeneca vaccine to patients that received the vaccine through the primary care pilot. Patients who were immunized between March 10th to 19th will be the first to become eligible for a second dose.

Second Dose Planning

PRHC continues to invite individuals that are <u>exceptions to the 16 week dose interval</u> to book vaccine appointments. Highest priority healthcare workers are also being invited to book a second dose vaccine appointment at this time.

Peterborough Public Health is waiting for provincial direction for booking second dose appointments for those that do not have second appointments booked. The province is expected to announce a single dose appointment booking feature by the end of May.

Communications Update

Peterborough Public Health has added the 12-17 age group to the <u>Notify Me</u> tool. Individuals will be able to sign up for this age group and receive a notification with booking information and clinic details when it becomes available.

An online form has been launched to assist individuals that do not have Ontario health cards to book a vaccine appointment. More information can be found on the Peterborough Public Health <u>vaccine clinic 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 Inter-Agency Vaccine Planning Team Updates
- 3) Vaccine resources for Healthcare Professionals