

**Board of Health for  
Peterborough Public Health  
AGENDA  
Board of Health Meeting  
Wednesday, January 12, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.  
Electronic Meeting**

**1. Call to Order**

Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer

**1.1. Welcome and Opening Statement**

**Land Acknowledgement**

*We respectfully acknowledge that Peterborough Public Health is located on the Treaty 20 Michi Saagiig territory and in the traditional territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Nations, collectively known as the Williams Treaties First Nations, which include: Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina Island First Nations.*

*Peterborough Public Health respectfully acknowledges that the Williams Treaties First Nations are the stewards and caretakers of these lands and waters in perpetuity, and that they continue to maintain this responsibility to ensure their health and integrity for generations to come. We are all treaty people.*

**Recognition of Indigenous Cultures**

*We recognize also the unique history, culture and traditions of the many Indigenous Peoples with whom we share this time and space. We give thanks to the Métis, the Inuit, and the many other First Nations people for their contributions as we strengthen ties, serve their communities and responsibly honour all our relations.*

**2. Elections and Appointments**

**2.1. Elections**

- [Cover Report](#)

**2.2. Committee Appointments**

- [Cover Report](#)
  - a. [Board Leadership and Committee Membership Selection Procedure \(web hyperlink\)](#)
  - b. [Terms of Reference, Governance Committee \(web hyperlink\)](#)
  - c. [Terms of Reference, Indigenous Health Advisory Circle \(web hyperlink\)](#)

d. [Terms of Reference, Stewardship Committee \(web hyperlink\)](#)

3. **Establishment of Date and Time of Regular Meetings**

- [Cover Report](#)

4. **Establishment of Honourarium for 2022**

- [Cover Report](#)

5. **Confirmation of the Agenda**

6. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

7. **Consent Items to be Considered Separately**

***Board Members:** Please identify which items you wish to consider separately from section 13 and advise the Chair when requested. For your convenience, circle the item(s) using the following list: 13.2 a*

8. **Delegations and Presentations**

- Notification – Refusal of Delegation Request

9. **Board Chair Report**

10. **Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

- [Cover Report](#)
  - a. [Minutes, December 8, 2021](#)

11. **Business Arising From the Minutes**

11.1. Request from Dec. 8/21 – Letter in support of alPHa correspondence re: extension of proof of vaccination mandates.

- [alPHa Letter](#)

11.2. Request from Dec. 8/21 – Letter from Windsor Essex re: COVID-19 Vaccine and the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA)

- [Cover Report](#)
  - a. [Windsor Essex](#)

## **12. Staff Reports**

### **12.1. Presentation: Update on Opioid-Related Harms**

- [Cover Report](#)
  - a. [Presentation](#)

### **12.2. Presentation: COVID-19 Update**

- [Cover Report](#)
  - a. Presentation (to be circulated)

## **13. Consent Items**

### **13.1. Correspondence for Direction (nil)**

### **13.2. Correspondence for Information**

- [Cover Report](#)
  - a. [alPHa e-newsletter](#)

### **13.3. Staff Reports (nil)**

### **13.4. Committee Reports (nil)**

## **14. New Business**

## **15. In Camera to Discuss Confidential Matters (nil)**

## **16. Motions for Open Session (nil)**

## **17. Date, Time, and Place of the Next Meeting**

Wednesday, February 9, 2022, 5:30 p.m.

Electronic Meeting, or in person at PPH offices, if permissible.

## **18. Adjournment**

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**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Elections</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Alida Gorizzan, Executive Assistant</b>
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**BACKGROUND**

At the September 8, 2021 meeting of the Board of Health, the following motion was passed:

**MOTION:**

That the following individuals be appointed to positions on the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health for 2022:

Chair – Mayor Andy Mitchell

Vice Chair – Councillor Henry Clarke

Chair of Governance – Deputy Mayor Bonnie Clark

Chair of Stewardship – Dr. Hans Stelzer

Chair of Indigenous Health Advisory Committee – Councillor Katherine Wilson

Moved: Deputy Mayor Graham

Seconded: Councillor Clarke

Motion carried. (M-2021-098)

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Committee Appointments</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Alida Gorizzan, Executive Assistant</b>
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS**

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health appoint members to its Committees as follows for 2022:*

*Indigenous Health Advisory Circle*

*Councillor Henry Clarke*

*Councillor Nodin Knott*

*Councillor Kathryn Wilson*

*Governance Committee*

*Deputy Mayor Bonnie Clark*

*Councillor Don Vassiliadis*

*Councillor Kathryn Wilson*

*Stewardship Committee*

*Councillor Gary Baldwin*

*Dr. Hans Stelzer*

*Deputy Mayor Matthew Graham*

*Councillor Kathryn Wilson*

**BACKGROUND**

The Governance Committee normally issues a call out for interest however given that the Committee did not meet in 2021 due to the pandemic, this call out was issued by staff.

The Chairperson serves as an ex-officio member on all Committees to which he/she has not been appointed a member.

Given the limited capacity of staff to support additional meetings due to the COVID-19 pandemic response and immunization effort, it is anticipated that Committee meeting dates will be scheduled starting in April 2022. Should any items that would normally be vetted through these Committees require Board attention prior to that date, these may come to the Board of Health directly.

## **ATTACHMENTS**

- a. [Board Leadership and Committee Membership Selection Procedure](#) (*web hyperlink*)
- b. [Terms of Reference, Governance Committee](#) (*web hyperlink*)
- c. [Terms of Reference, Indigenous Health Advisory Circle](#) (*web hyperlink*)
- d. [Terms of Reference, Stewardship Committee](#) (*web hyperlink*)

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Date and Time of Regular Meetings</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Alida Gorizzan, Executive Assistant</b>
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION**

That the regular meetings for the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health in 2022 be held on the following dates at 5:30 p.m., or at the call of the Chairperson:

- January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13, May 11, June 8, September 14, October 12, November 9, December 14;
- Meetings will be held electronically, or at Peterborough Public Health (185 King Street) when possible.

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Establishment of Honourarium for 2021</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Alida Gorizzan, Executive Assistant</b>
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health approve a 1.5% increase in honourarium for its members, representing a total amount of \$157.57.

**BACKGROUND**

The Board has an established policy and procedure for establishing honorariums for meeting attendance ([policy 2-150](#)) and for review of remuneration ([2-153](#)). Based on these policies, the Governance Committee is to request Board approval for changes to honorarium amounts at the first Board Meeting of the year and that the request be based on wage increases for unionized staff or the Ontario Consumer Price Index (CPI), whichever is less.

Due to the pandemic, the Governance Committee did not meet in 2021. Staff have compiled the following details for your consideration and approval.

In January 2021, the Board approved a 0.7% increase in honorarium. According to [Statistics Canada](#), the Ontario CPI Inflation rate for 2021 (available to November 2021) was 5.0%. The Board approved staff wage increases at a level of 1.5% in 2021. Therefore, the lower amount of increase at 1.5% is recommended.

The current honorarium rate is \$155.24 per meeting. Based on the above-noted increase, the 2022 rate would be \$157.57.

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Approval of Meeting Minutes</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Natalie Garnett, Board Secretary</b>
<b>APPROVED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health approve the minutes of the meeting held on December 8, 2021.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- a. [Board of Health Minutes, December 8, 2021](#)

**Board of Health for  
Peterborough Public Health  
DRAFT MINUTES  
Board of Health Meeting  
Wednesday, December 8, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.  
185 King Street, Peterborough**

**In Attendance:**

**Board Members:**

**Councillor Gary Baldwin  
Deputy Mayor Bonnie Clark  
Councillor Henry Clarke  
Deputy Mayor Matthew Graham  
Councillor Nodin Knott (electronic)  
Mayor Andy Mitchell, Chair  
Dr. Hans Stelzer  
Councillor Don Vassiliadis  
Councillor Kathryn Wilson**

**Staff:**

**Ms. Dale Bolton, Manager of Finance and Property  
Ms. Brittany Cadence, Manager of Communications and IT  
Ms. Donna Churipuy, Acting Incident Commander  
Ms. Natalie Garnett, Recorder  
Dr. Ian Gemmill (electronic)  
Ms. Alida Gorizzan, Executive Assistant  
Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health & CEO  
Mr. Larry Stinson, Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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**1. Call to Order**

The Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**1.2 Welcome - Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health & CEO**

**1.4 Staff Recognition – Acknowledgement of Years of Service**

Dr. Piggott provided an overview of the contributions and years of service of the following employees:

- Christine Post, Health Promoter (25 years)
- Jane Naylor, Communications Assistant (30 years)
- Larry Stinson, Director of Operations, (30 years)

### **1.3 Farewell – Dr. Ian Gemmill, Acting Medical Officer of Health**

## **2. Confirmation of the Agenda**

MOTION:

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health confirm the agenda as circulated.*

Moved: Councillor Clarke

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Clark

Motion carried. (M-2021-116)

## **3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest**

## **4. Consent Items to be Considered Separately**

MOTION:

*That the following item be passed as part of the Consent Agenda: 10.2 a, and c.*

Moved: Deputy Mayor Graham

Seconded: Councillor Baldwin

Motion carried. (M-2021-117)

MOTION (10.2.a and c):

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the following for information:*

*Correspondence from the Association of Local Public Health Agencies:*

*a. Letter dated November 10, 2021, to Minister Elliott regarding COVID-19 extraordinary costs.*

*Correspondence from other local public health agencies:*

*c. Algoma - Funding*

Moved: Deputy Mayor Graham

Seconded: Councillor Baldwin

Motion carried. (M-2021-117)

## **5. Declarations and Presentations**

## **6. Board Chair Report**

The Chair thanked staff and Dr. Gemmill for their efforts during the transition and welcomed Dr. Piggott.

## **7. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

**MOTION:**

*That the minutes for the meeting of the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health on October 13, 2021, be approved.*

Moved: Councillor Wilson

Seconded: Dr. Stelzer

Motion carried. (M-2021-118)

**8. Business Arising From the Minutes**

**9. Staff Reports**

**9.1 Presentation: COVID-19 Update**

**MOTION:**

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the presentation, COVID-19 Update, for information.*

Moved: Councillor Wilson

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Graham

Motion carried. (M-2021-119)

**9.2 Staff Report: Q3 2021 Financial Report**

**MOTION:**

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the staff report, Q3 2021 Financial Report, for information.*

Moved: Councillor Baldwin

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Clark

Motion carried. (M-2021-120)

**9.3 Oral Report: Association of Local Public Health Agencies 2021 Fall Symposium**

**MOTION:**

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the oral report, Association of Local Public Health Agencies 2021 Fall Symposium, for information.*

Moved: Councillor Vassiliadis

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Graham

Motion carried. (M-2021-121)

#### **9.4 Policies for Approval**

MOTION:

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health approve revisions to policy 2-92, Workplace Violence and Harassment Prevention.

Moved: Councillor Clarke

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Clark

Motion carried. (M-2021-122)

### **10. Consent Items**

#### **10.1 Correspondence for Direction**

#### **10.2 Correspondence for Information**

MOTION (10.2.b.):

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the following for information:*

*b. Letter dated November 23, 2021, to Minister Elliott regarding extending proof-of-vaccination requirements to control COVID-19; and,*

*That a letter of support requesting that the vaccine mandates remain in place, be sent to Minister Elliott, and copied to alpha.*

Moved: Councillor Clarke

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Clark

Motion carried. (M-2021-123)

MOTION (10.2.d.):

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the following for information:*

*d. Windsor Essex – COVID-19 Vaccine and the Immunization of School Pupils Act (IPSA)*

Moved: Councillor Vassiliadis

Seconded: Deputy Mayor Clark

Motion carried. (M-2021-124)

#### **10.3 Staff Reports**

#### **10.4 Committee Reports**

**11. New Business**

**12. In Camera to Discuss Confidential Matters**

MOTION:

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health moved In Camera at 7:14 p.m. to discuss one item under Section 239(2)(b) Personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Board employees.*

Moved: Councillor Clarke  
Seconded: Councillor Vassiliadis  
Motion carried. (M-2021-125)

MOTION:

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health rise from In Camera at 8:00 p.m.*

Moved: Councillor Clark  
Seconded: Deputy Mayor Graham  
Motion carried. (M-2021-126)

**13. Motions for Open Session**

MOTION:

*That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health policy 2-220, COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for Board of Health Members, be adopted.*

Moved: Deputy Mayor Graham  
Seconded: Councillor Wilson  
Motion carried. (M-2021-127)

**14. Date, Time, and Place of the Next Meeting**

The next Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health meeting will be held on January 12, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room, 185 King Street.

**15. Adjournment**

MOTION:

*That the meeting be adjourned.*

Moved by: Councillor Clarke  
Seconded by: Deputy Mayor Clark  
Motion carried. (M-2021-128)

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

The Honourable Christine Elliott, MPP  
Deputy Premier and Minister of Health  
College Park, 5th Floor  
777 Bay St.  
Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

November 23, 2021

Dear Minister Elliott:

**RE: Extending proof-of-vaccination requirements to control COVID-19**

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On behalf of the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA) and its member Medical Officers of Health, Boards of Health and Affiliate organizations, I am writing to ask you to reconsider the proposed timing for lifting proof-of-vaccine requirements, announced to begin in January of 2022.

We wish to reiterate our gratitude for the important step taken by the Government of Ontario in introducing a vaccine certificate policy in September of this year. When this was first announced, the level of full vaccination coverage in the eligible population (those turning 12 and above) was just over 67%. Thanks to our collective efforts under the leadership of the Province, this number is now over 86%, a remarkable and vitally important accomplishment.

Despite this, our work must continue in increasing vaccination coverage as a critical contributor to the control of COVID-19 and its Delta variant throughout Ontario. Often referred to as the challenging but necessary “last mile”, reaching the vaccine coverage target of 90% or more will require as much support as possible. Working in partnership with a wide range of partners in a wide range of venues, including outreach to those in congregate settings and private dwellings, all efforts are being made across the province by local public health units to reach this goal.

Despite these efforts, we are experiencing a gradual slowing of vaccination uptake, with a significant proportion of the eligible population not fully immunized and still vulnerable to COVID-19. The unimmunized population is where most of transmission continues to occur, contributing to the present upward trajectory of cases that we are seeing across the province currently. We believe that proof-of-vaccination remains a useful incentive for individuals to complete their full course of COVID vaccinations, and its value as such will only increase when we turn our efforts to vaccinating younger Ontarians and providing booster shots in the coming months.

The requirement for proof of vaccination to participate in higher risk activities or enter higher risk venues has permitted a safer and more sustainable reopening of the economy by increasing protection against transmission. In other words, it has all but eliminated the difficult choice between keeping businesses open and protecting public health. Given that our vaccination efforts to include third doses and children 5 to 11 years of age are expected to be at their peak throughout the early part of the New Year, we believe that it will be important to maintain this proven incentive until we reach the next set of evidence-based targets.

We are therefore asking that you commit to maintaining current proof of vaccination requirements under the provincial Plan to Safely Reopen Ontario until evidence shows that vaccination rates are high enough and COVID-19 transmission rates are low enough that they are no longer needed. The timely communication of such a commitment will serve as an important support for our collective efforts to reach that goal.

Thank you for your ongoing leadership and for considering our recommendation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dr. Paul Roumeliotis', with a stylized, flowing script.

Dr. Paul Roumeliotis,  
President

**COPY:** Hon. Doug Ford, Premier of Ontario  
Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health

The Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA) is a not-for-profit organization that provides leadership to the boards of health and public health units in Ontario. alPHA advises and lends expertise to members on the governance, administration and management of health units. The Association also collaborates with governments and other health organizations, advocating for a strong, effective and efficient public health system in the province. Through policy analysis, discussion, collaboration, and advocacy, alPHA's members and staff act to promote public health policies that form a strong foundation for the improvement of health promotion and protection, disease prevention and surveillance services in all of Ontario's communities.

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Business Arising: Windsor Essex Letter re: ISPA / COVID-19</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health:

- endorse their position from Windsor Essex regarding amending the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA) to include COVID-19 as a “designated disease”; and,
- communicate this support by writing to the Minister of Health with copies to the Minister of Education, Ontario Chief Medical Officer of Health, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies and Ontario Boards of Health.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- a. [Windsor Essex Letter](#)

November 23, 2020

Delivered via email: [christine.elliott@ontario.ca](mailto:christine.elliott@ontario.ca)

Hon. Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier  
Minister of Health  
Ministry of Health  
College Park 5th Flr,  
777 Bay St, Toronto, ON M7A 2J3

Dear Minister Elliott:

On November 18, 2021, the Windsor-Essex County Board of Health passed the following Resolution regarding the **COVID-19 Vaccine and the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA)**. **WECHU's resolution is outlined below where the Windsor-Essex County Board of Health recommends that the Province of Ontario amend the Immunization of School Pupils Act to include COVID-19 as a "designated disease":**

**Windsor-Essex County Board of Health**

**RECOMMENDATION/RESOLUTION REPORT**

**COVID-19 Vaccine and the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA)**

**November, 2021**

**ISSUE**

On Thursday October 28, 2021, Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. Kieran Moore indicated during a news briefing that the Province of Ontario would not be adding COVID-19 to the list of nine diseases that public school students must be immunized against.

Currently, there is no requirement for eligible students to provide proof of vaccination against COVID-19 for school attendance. Schools are a high-risk setting for COVID-19 and other communicable diseases as they bring together large numbers of individuals for long and extended periods of time increasing the likelihood transmission of certain diseases. As of November 15<sup>th</sup>, there have been more than 450 cohorts of students dismissed through schools and daycares due to COVID-19 exposure. The Immunization of School Pupils Act (Ministry of Health, 2021) requires that children and youth attending school be immunized against designated diseases, unless they have a valid exemption. The addition of COVID-19 as a "designated disease" within the Immunization of School Pupils Act would support a number of important public health priorities including:

- Increased uptake of the vaccine, providing protection for those who are too young or medically unable to be vaccinated in school communities and beyond. This will result in a safer learning environment for students, staff, their families and the broader community.
- A systematic framework for parental vaccine education.

**BACKGROUND**

Vaccines are the safest and most efficient way to guard against communicable diseases and prevent outbreaks. [The Immunization of School Pupils Act](#) (ISPA) R.S.O. 1990 (Ministry of Health, 2021) requires that specified vaccines to be given for a child to attend school in Ontario making sure that all school aged children are protected from vaccine

preventable diseases. Currently under the ISPA, students must be immunized against measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, tetanus, meningococcal, varicella and polio, or have a valid Medical, or Conscience or Religious Belief exemption on file at the Health Unit. There is no cost for vaccines covered by [the publicly funded immunization program in Ontario](#).

## MOTION

**Whereas** available COVID-19 vaccines have been approved by Health Canada to be safe and effective for students born in 2009 or earlier; and

**Whereas** additional approval by Health Canada to vaccinate individuals born after 2009 with COVID-19 vaccine is anticipated by the end of 2021; and

**Whereas** the COVID-19 pandemic is a global pandemic;

**Whereas** the Windsor-Essex region has been disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 pandemic; and

**Whereas** the Windsor-Essex region has lower rates of vaccination against COVID-19 particularly among eligible children and youth; and

**Whereas** the purpose of the Immunization of School Pupils Act is to increase the protection of the health of children against the diseases that are designated diseases; and

**Whereas** the IPSA requires that students be immunized for “designated diseases”: diphtheria, measles, mumps, poliomyelitis, rubella, and tetanus, unless a specific exemption is sought through the act.

**Now therefore be it resolved** that the Windsor-Essex County Board of Health recommends that the Province of Ontario amend the Immunization of School Pupils Act to include COVID-19 as a “designated disease”.

References:

Ministry of Health. (2021, April 19). *Immunization of School Pupils Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. / .1.* Retrieved from Government of Ontario Laws: [ontario.ca/laws/statute/90i01](https://ontario.ca/laws/statute/90i01)

We would be pleased to discuss this resolution with you and thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Gary McNamara  
Chair, Board of Health



Nicole Dupuis  
Chief Executive Officer

c: Hon. Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education  
Dr. Kieran Moore, Chief Medical Officer of Health  
Association of Local Public Health Agencies – Loretta Ryan  
Greater Essex County District School Board – Erin Kelly  
Windsor Essex Catholic District School Board – Emelda Byrne  
CSC Providence (French Catholic) – Joseph Picard  
Conseil Scolaire Viamonde (French Public) – Martin Bertrand  
WECHU Board of Health  
Windsor City Council and Essex County Council

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Presentation: Update on Opioid-Related Harms</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health:

- receive the presentation, Update on Opioid-Related Harms, for information; and,
- send a letter to Minister Elliott requesting an update regarding the status of the Consumption and Treatment Services site in Peterborough with copies to local MPPs, the Peterborough Drug Strategy, and Local Councils.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

A. [Presentation](#)

# Update on Opioid-Related Harms

January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Dr. Thomas Piggott

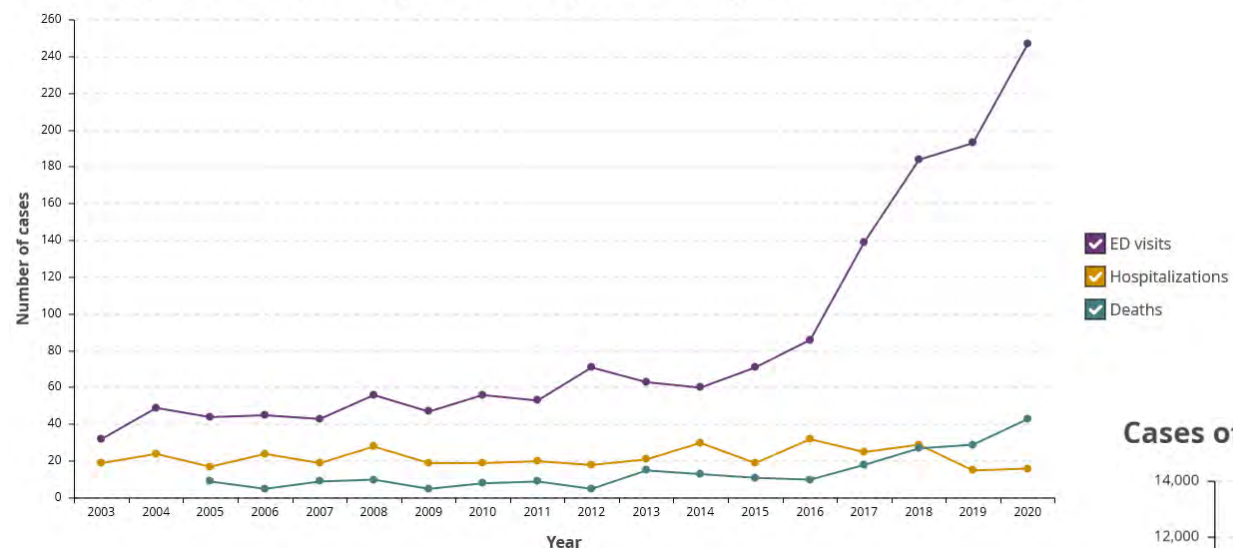
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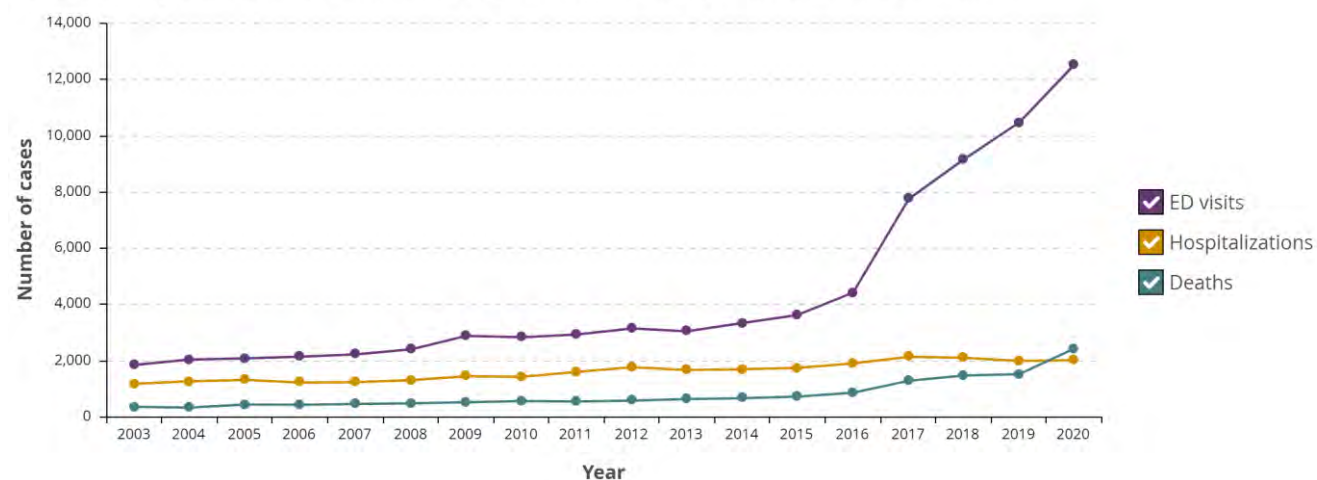
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# Background Pre-COVID 19

Cases of opioid-related morbidity and mortality, Peterborough Public Health, 2003 – 2020



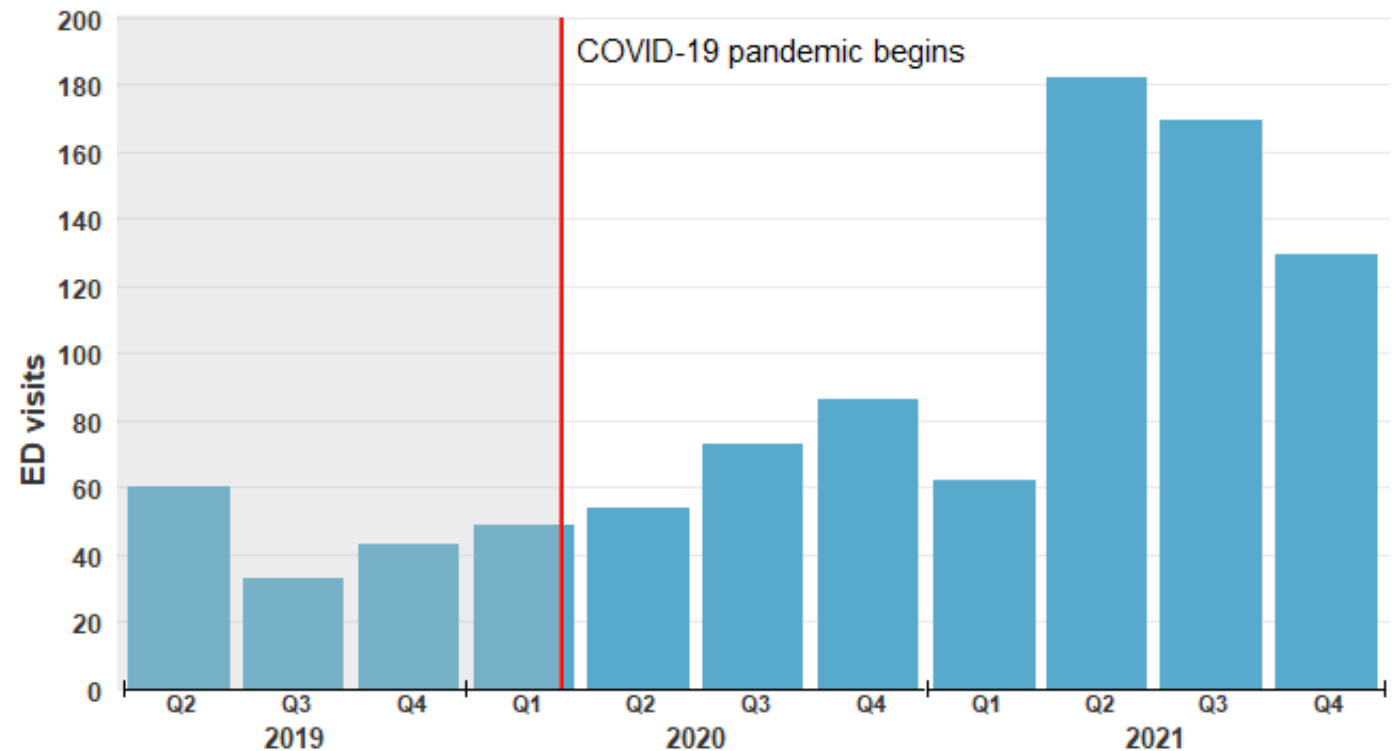
Cases of opioid-related morbidity and mortality, Ontario, 2003 – 2020



# Paramedic Calls for Service

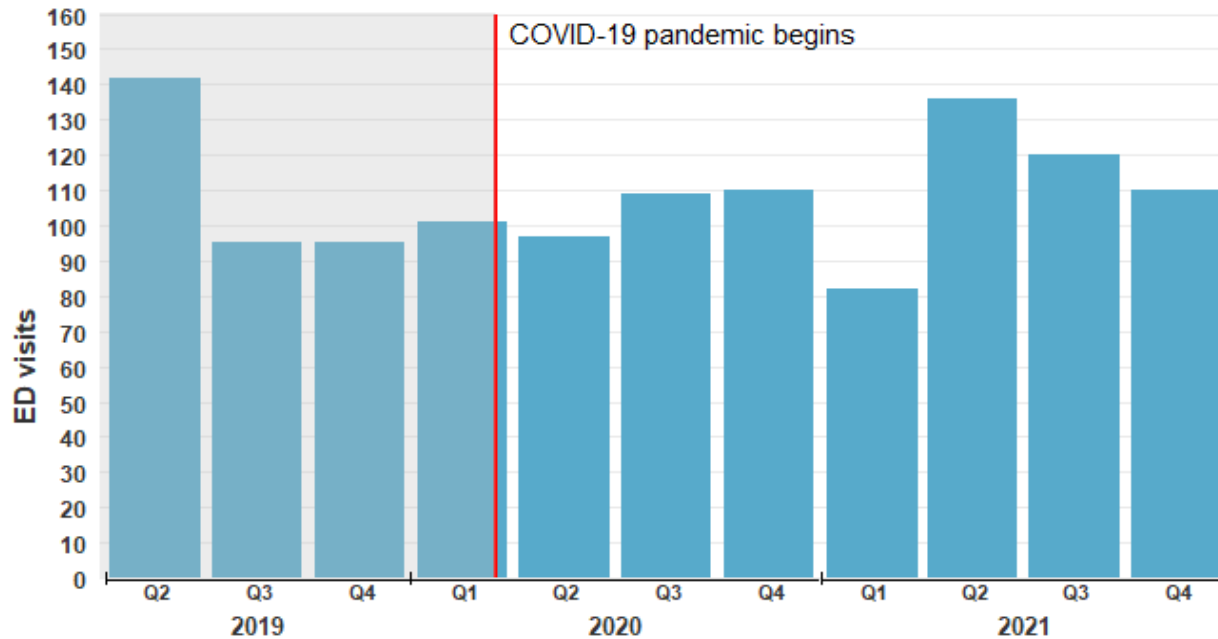
- 106% increase between 2020 and 2021 (262 vs. 540)
- Unprecedented call volumes between May-July 2021
- Significant increase in calls to outdoor settings

Opioid-related Calls for Service, 2019-2021



# Emergency Department Visits

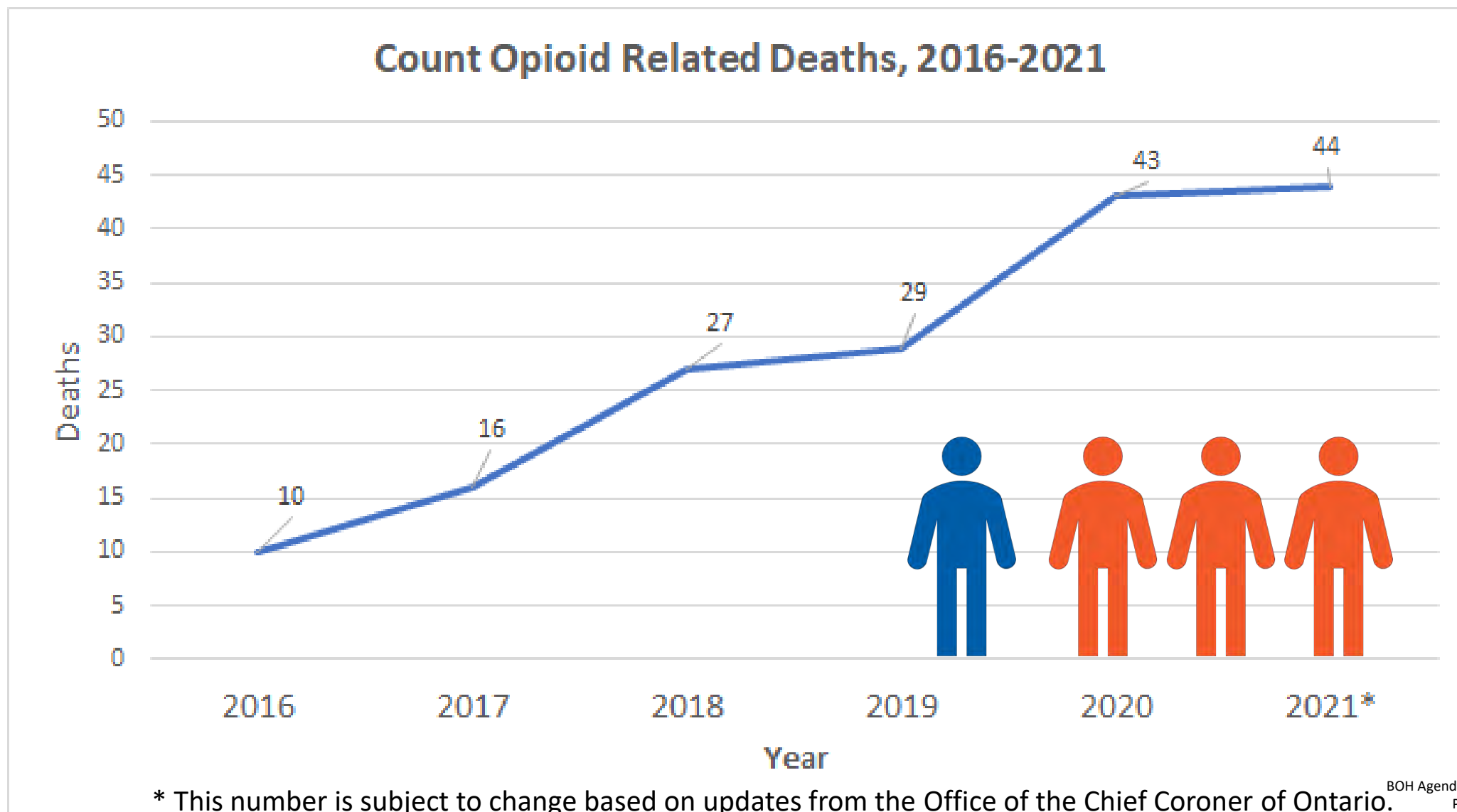
## Drug-related Emergency Department Visits, 2019-2021



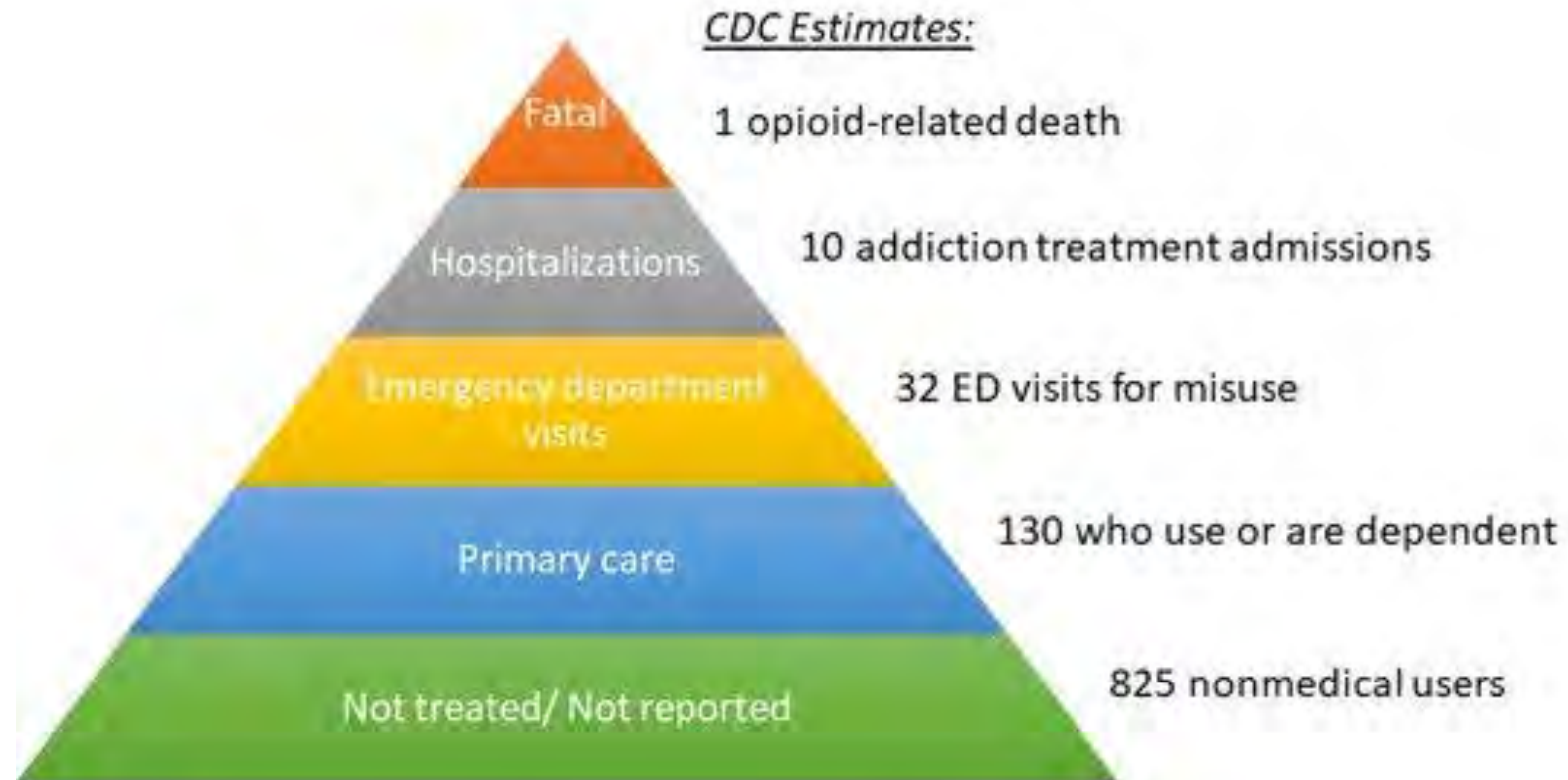
- Higher than average visits between May-July 2021
- Crude rate consistently 2x times higher than provincial average
- Males and patients aged 25-44 account for the majority of ED visits



# Deaths



# Opioid Injury Pyramid

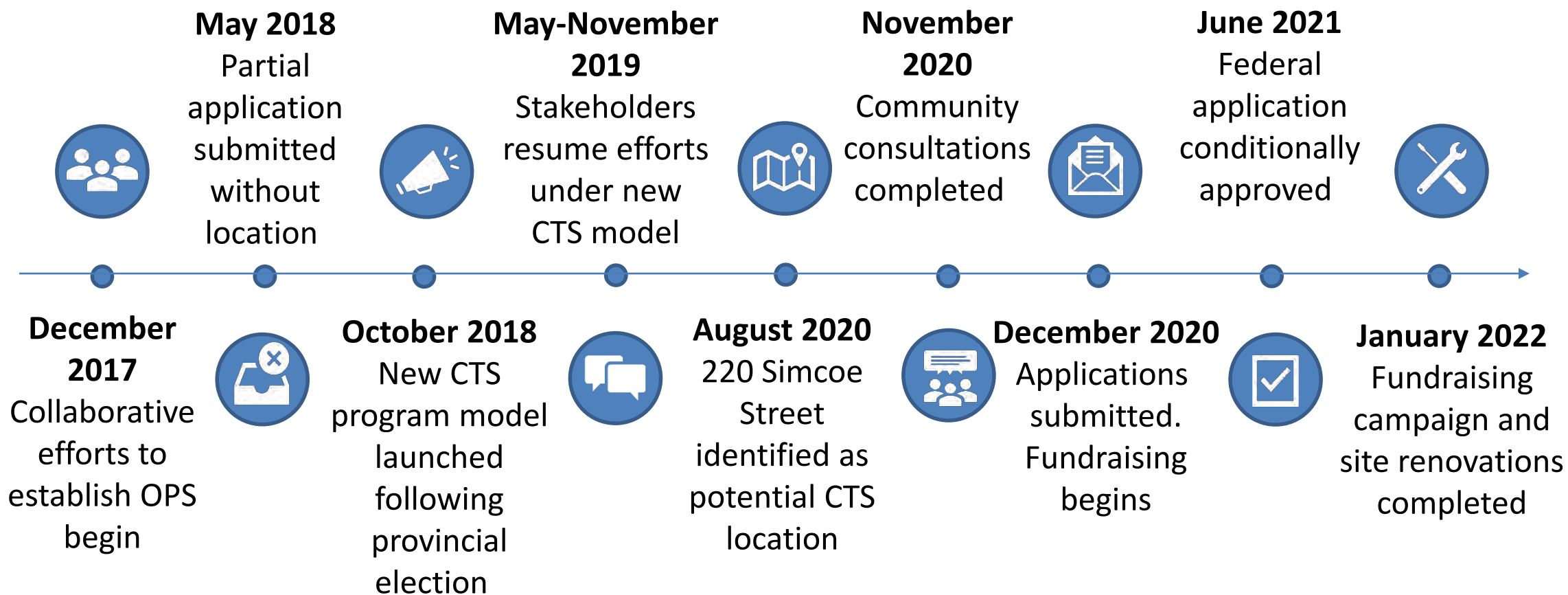


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<http://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/pdf/policyimpact-prescriptionpainkillers-a.pdf>



# Consumption and Treatment Services Timeline



**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Presentation: COVID-19 Update</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Dr. Thomas Piggott, Medical Officer of Health &amp; CEO</b>

**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the presentation, *COVID-19 Update*, for information.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A. Presentation (to be circulated)

**PETERBOROUGH PUBLIC HEALTH  
BOARD OF HEALTH**

<b>TITLE:</b>	<b>Correspondence for Information</b>
<b>DATE:</b>	<b>January 12, 2022</b>
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	<b>Alida Gorizzan, Executive Assistant</b>
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**PROPOSED RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health receive the following for information:

- a. [alPHa e-newsletter dated December 20, 2021](#)

**From:** allhealthunits [mailto:allhealthunits-bounces@lists.alphaweb.org] **On Behalf Of** Loretta Ryan  
**Sent:** December 20, 2021 4:39 PM

**PLEASE ROUTE TO:**

**All Board of Health Members**

**All Members of Regional Health & Social Service Committees**

**All Senior Public Health Managers**



December 20, 2021

*This update is a tool to keep alPHA's members apprised of the latest news in public health including provincial announcements, legislation, alPHA activities, correspondence, and events. Visit us at [alphaweb.org](http://alphaweb.org).*

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Fall Symposium and Section Meetings

Wrap Up and Proceedings

**Ontario's Public Health System: Response & Recovery**

Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021

A big thank you to all those who attended alPHA's 2021 Fall Symposium:

**Ontario's Public Health System: Response & Recovery** and Section Meetings on Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021! The event would not have been such a success without our outstanding speakers, the many Board members who volunteered to be moderators, and the participation and support of the alPHA membership. Proceedings from the symposium and meetings can be found on the alPHA [website](http://alphaweb.org).

alPHA would like to thank the University of Toronto's **Dalla Lana School of Public Health** for their generous support and the People Corporation for their sponsorship.

Thank you also to those who filled out the post-symposium survey. We are excited to announce the winner for the draw is Mike Bodnar from the Board of Health for Brant County Health Unit.

Our next symposium will take place on Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Stay tuned for registration details and a preliminary program in January!

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## COVID-19 Update

As part of the response to COVID-19, alPHA continues to represent the public health system and work with key stakeholders. To keep members up-to-date, alPHA shares Ministry of Health Situation Reports and COVID-19-related news. If you are not receiving these, please get in touch with the contact person at your health unit who distributes information on behalf of alPHA.

[Visit the Ministry of Health's page on guidance for the health sector](#)

[View the Ministry's website on the status of COVID-19 cases](#)

[Go to Public Health Ontario's COVID-19 website](#)

[Visit the Public Health Agency of Canada's COVID-19 website](#)

[alPHA's recent COVID-19 related submissions can be found here](#)

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## alPHA Correspondence

**Through policy analysis, collaboration, and advocacy, alPHA's members and staff act to promote public health policies that form a strong foundation for the improvement of health promotion and protection, disease prevention, and surveillance services in all of Ontario's communities. Correspondence since the last Newsletter:**

<a href="#">alPHA Letter - Strengthening Response to Omicron</a>	2021-12-17
<a href="#">alPHA Letter - Anniversary of 1st COVID-19 vaccine</a>	2021-12-14
<a href="#">alPHA Letter - Control of Omicron Variant</a>	2021-12-14
<a href="#">COMOH Letter - Bill 37</a>	2021-11-29
<a href="#">alPHA Letter - Proof of Vaccination</a>	2021-11-23

A complete online library is available [here](#).

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## Boards of Health: Shared Resources

A resource [page](#) is available on alPHA's website for Board of Health members to facilitate the sharing of and access to orientation materials, best practices, by-laws, resolutions, and other resources. If you have a best practice, by-law or any other resource that you would like to make available, please send a file or a link with a brief description to [gordon@alphaweb.org](mailto:gordon@alphaweb.org) and for posting in the appropriate library. Resources available on the alPHA website include:

- [Orientation Manual for Boards of Health](#)
- [Review of Board of Health Liability, 2018](#)
- [Legal Matters: Updates for Boards of Health](#)
- [Ontario Boards of Health by Region](#)
- [Governance Toolkit](#)
- [Risk Management for Health Units](#)
- [Healthy Rural Communities Toolkit](#)

- [The Ontario Public Health Standards](#)
  - [Public Appointee Role and Governance Overview](#)
  - [List of Health Units sorted by Municipality](#)
  - [List of Municipalities sorted by Health Unit](#)
  - [Map: Boards of Health Types](#)
  - [NCCHPP Report: Profile of Ontario's Public Health System \(2021\) New!](#)
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## PHO Resources

### Ontario COVID-19 Data Tool

The Ontario COVID-19 Data Tool provides epidemiological information on COVID-19 activity in Ontario to-date. Explore the most recent COVID-19 data including daily case counts by hospitalizations and deaths, vaccine uptake by age and public health unit, COVID-19 reproduction number and doubling time, outbreaks, and laboratory testing.

The COVID-19 Data Tool is updated Monday to Fridays at 1 p.m. except on statutory holidays. For weekend case counts see the [Daily Epidemiological Summary](#).

For questions about the data, please contact [EPIR@oahpp.ca](mailto:EPIR@oahpp.ca).

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## Upcoming PHO Events

- January 12 | [Webinar: The Neurobiology of Trauma, Attachment and Substance Use: How relationships built during the COVID-19 pandemic offer hope and healing](#)
- February 8 | [PHO Rounds: Novel Disease Surveillance Tools for the Next Pandemic](#)

Interested in our upcoming events? Check out our [Events](#) page to stay up to date with all PHO events. **Missed an event? Check out PHO's [Presentations](#) page for full recordings our events.**

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## Upcoming DLSPH Events, Courses and Webinars

The Dalla Lana School of Public Health hosts many public-health related events, from regular seminar series, featured guest speakers, and professional development opportunities. View all events by day, month, or type of event [here](#). You can explore all past webinars [here](#).

Upcoming events include:

- January 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> - [Journeys of Wellness and Hope](#)
  - January 21<sup>st</sup> - [Centre for Critical Qualitative Health Research Seminar – Still Arriving?! Decentering the “Post” in \(Post\)Qualitative Inquiry](#)
  - January 31<sup>st</sup> - [Race, Equity & Action Speaker Series – Antisemitism: Here and Now](#)
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## 2nd Annual Fit Cities Fit Towns Canada Conference Invitation – Save the Date March

The Housing for Health in the Division of Preventive Medicine, Department of Medicine, University of Alberta is hosting the 2nd Annual Fit Cities Fit Towns Canada Conference (Virtual) in March 2022. The theme of the 2022 conference is *Healthy Housing and Affordability for All Populations* and will be 2 half days 8:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. MST daily on either March 1st - 2nd or March 2nd - 3rd, 2022. The final dates will be sent when the speakers are finalized. Registration details will be shared in early 2022.

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### News Releases

The most up to date news releases from the Government of Ontario can be accessed [here](#).

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All the best for a safe  
holiday season  
filled with warmth, happiness,  
and good health!

*alPHA's office will close at noon on Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>  
and reopen on Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>.*



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