

## **Answering Your Questions about COVID-19**

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### **Question 1: When will the stay-at-home order end?**

The stay-at-home order is scheduled to end on June 2.

“Any move to relax restrictions now would without a doubt reverse the modest downward trends we have observed over the past two weeks,” wrote the Association of Local Public Health Agencies and the Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health.

Health Minister Christine Elliott recently said that the downward slide since the peak of the third wave in April isn’t enough and said the province is looking for a “pretty significant drop” in case numbers and ICU admissions before lifting the order.

On Monday, Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. David Williams said he would like to see daily COVID-19 cases dip below 1,000 before restrictions are eased.

Sources:

1. <https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/ontario-s-stay-at-home-order-will-likely-be-extended-into-june-to-avoid-fourth-covid-19-wave-1.5421423>
2. <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/covid-19-ontario-may-13-2021-ford-returns-1.6024839>

### **Question 2: Can I get my second dose at a pop up vaccine clinic?**

The pop up clinics vary based on region. Call your public health unit and ask them if there are pop up vaccine clinics in your area that are offering a second dose. Click [here](#) to find your public health unit either by entering your postal code or municipality.

You can also click [here](#) to find vaccine locations and COVID-19 assessment centres near you. Another option is following [@VaxHuntersCan on Twitter](#) and [VaxHuntersCan on Facebook](#). This is a community group that shares information about available vaccines in the community. Please note that any other account on any platform are not affiliated with Vax Hunters.

### **Question 3: How do I register to get my second dose?**

If you schedule your appointment through the province’s online booking system, you will need to book appointments for both doses together to make sure you get the second dose at the right

time.

Some public health units have chosen not to use the province's online booking system, including Halton Region, Peel Region, York Region, and more. See which public health units are using their own system by clicking [here](#). These locations may give you instructions on scheduling your second appointment during your appointment to get your first dose.

After you are vaccinated, staff will give you a paper and electronic receipt to confirm you got the vaccine. The receipt will also give you instructions for scheduling your second dose if you have not already done so. For some vaccine locations, you must keep the receipt from the first dose and bring it to your second appointment. Make sure to check the requirements of where you got the first dose.

Currently, you cannot book a second dose appointment by itself through the province's online booking system. The province is working to make this available.

Sources:

1. <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/get-covid-19-vaccine>

2. <https://www.cp24.com/news/which-covid-19-vaccine-booking-system-is-your-public-health-unit-using-1.5347069>

#### **Question 4: Can I ask to see my attendants' proof of vaccine?**

There is no legal requirement for anyone to show clients proof of vaccination as it would be an invasion of privacy. At the moment, people who work in high-risk congregate living settings and select congregate care settings are able and encouraged to get vaccinated under Phase Two of [Ontario's COVID-19 vaccination plan](#). However, the Government does not mandate or require anybody in Canada to get a vaccine.

Homecare agencies may have requirements for their employees to be vaccinated. You can talk to the homecare agency that provides your PSW support and ask if the company has a mandatory requirement for their employees to be vaccinated.

If you have any concerns that your PSW is not following COVID-19 protocols, contact their employer, which is the homecare agency. If you feel that the homecare agency is not cooperating with COVID-19 protocols, and/or if you need to modify your services, contact your Care Coordinator directly.

Another option is contacting the Long-Term Care Action Line, even if you are not a resident of a Long-Term Care home. In 2007, this line was expanded so that patients and caregivers could raise concerns or complaints about home and community care services. It is provided by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care.

If you contact the Long-Term Care Action Line, an Independent Complaints Facilitator (ICF) will be assigned to help you address your concern or complaint. The Long-Term Care Action Line may be contacted by telephone at 1-866-876-7658, or online at: [www.health.gov.on.ca](http://www.health.gov.on.ca). For more information, visit: <https://healthcareathome.ca/central/en/Contact-Us/Feedback>.

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If you think you may be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, take the self-assessment at [www.ontario.ca/coronavirus](http://www.ontario.ca/coronavirus). Follow all directions from your medical provider or your local health unit at the following phone numbers:

Telehealth Ontario: 1-866-797-0000

Toronto Public Health: 416-338-7600

Peel Public Health: 905-799-7700

Durham Region Health Department: 905-668-7711

York Region Public Health: 1-877-464-9675

