

Coronavirus: COVID-19
Current Update – May 19, 2020

As of May 19, 2020, Canada has a total of 78, 499 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario itself has 23, 384 cases with Toronto having 8603 cases. **At this time, residents of North Yorkers continue to remain symptom free and staff members continue to self-monitor.** If this changes, we will notify all staff, residents and stakeholders as soon as possible.

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The Premier of Ontario, Doug Ford, has announced today that schools will not be reopening for the rest of the school year. Ontario Education Minister Stephen Lecce said report cards for the term will be issued for all students, and online learning is expected to continue through the summer. Additionally, overnight camps will not be permitted to run this summer as too many children in close proximity will pose a major risk of virus transmission. The Ontario Government is still in talks about the possibility of allowing summer day camps to operate with strict Public Health regulations in place, which will be solely dependent on the trends of the coronavirus closer to the time possible operation.

See the link below to read more about the information provided from Ontario today.

<https://www.cp24.com/news/kids-not-returning-to-school-until-september-ontario-premier-doug-ford-1.4944490>

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Canada and the U.S. have agreed to extend border restrictions. The ban, which prohibits discretionary travel like vacations and cross-border shopping without restricting trade, commerce and essential employees, was set to expire Thursday until the U.S. agreed to Canada's request to extend it to June 21.

<https://toronto.citynews.ca/2020/05/19/canada-u-s-agree-to-extend-border-restrictions/>

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OFCP Presents: Mental Health in Adolescents & Young Adults with Cerebral Palsy

Join the Ontario Federation for Cerebral Palsy (OFCP) on May 21, 202 for an engaging workshop where they will discuss findings from the MyStory research project as part of the Childhood Cerebral Palsy Integrated Neuroscience Discovery Network (CP-NET) and the impact of COVID-19 on mental health. The workshop takes place from 3:00-5:00pm. See the attached flyer for more information. The deadline for registration is on May 19, 2020.

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If you or someone you know uses Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC), and requires resources related to COVID-19, please contact Jessica (Jessica.nyd@gmail.com) and she can assist you in accessing and/or creating various communication tools.

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If you think you may be experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, take the self-assessment at 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

Please refer back to previous updates as lots of important information has been provided that may still be relevant. If you have any questions or require more information on how you can protect yourself and those around you from the COVID-19 virus, please contact our Outreach Communication Facilitator Jessica, at 416-222-4448 or jessica.nydp@gmail.com