

Coronavirus: COVID-19
Current Update – April 21, 2021

As of April 21st, 2021, Canada has a total of 1, 139, 045 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario has 424, 911 cases and Toronto has 135, 575 cases.

Toronto launches more pop-up COVID-19 vaccine clinics in hot spot areas

The City of Toronto will be holding more pop-ups and mobile COVID-19 vaccination clinics in hot spot neighbourhoods today, specifically in low-income communities.

Unity Health Toronto will be running three pop-up clinics and two mobile clinics, with a goal to vaccinate 815 people, including: people who live in hot spots areas, congregate settings, health care workers, those with highest and high-risk health conditions and First Nations, Métis and Inuit adults. At the time this article was written, details have not been announced yet. Check for updates [here](#).

A pop-up clinic will also be set up at Jane and Finch for people who are 18 and older living in postal codes M3L, M3N and M3M. It will be run by Humber River Hospital and North Western Toronto Ontario Health Team.

University Health Network will also be running a mobile clinic in postal code M3N.

City officials have said they will be utilizing mobile and pop-up clinics to vaccinate those 18 and older in hotspot neighbourhoods.

The pop-up and mobile clinics will be organized by community groups, including faith-based organizations, employers and other community organizations.

Source:

<https://toronto.citynews.ca/2021/04/21/toronto-pop-up-covid-19-vaccine-clinics/>

Ontario's daily COVID-19 cases back above 4, 000, another 32 deaths reported

There were 4, 212 new cases confirmed today, up from 3, 469 new cases yesterday, but consistent with the daily case count being above 4, 000 for about a week. Ontario has never seen more patients in an ICU with COVID-19. Of the 2, 335 COVID-19 patients in Ontario's hospitals, 790 are currently in ICU units, and 566 are breathing with the help of a ventilator.

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Of today's new cases, there are 1, 249 in Toronto, 771 in Peel Region, 386 in York Region, and 214 in Durham Region. Currently, there are 42, 917 active cases of COVID-19 throughout the province.

Ontario's positivity rate is 7.9%. The average number of new cases per day based on the past 7 days is 4, 326. In the last 24 hours, 32 more people have died due to the virus.

Since yesterday, health officials have confirmed another 2, 123 new cases of variants of concern.

At least 346, 005 Ontarians have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Since the province began vaccinating people in December, the province has given out 3.9 million vaccines.

An additional 136, 695 doses of a COVID-19 vaccine were given out yesterday, and more than 349, 000 Ontarians have been fully vaccinated.

The province announced that, starting today, Shoppers Drug Mart pharmacies will offer 24-7 COVID-19 vaccinations for people over the age of 40 at more than 20 locations, including 16 in the hot spot communities of Toronto, Peel Region and York Region.

Sources:

1.<https://toronto.citynews.ca/2021/04/21/ontario-covid-19-update-april-21/>

2.<https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/covid-19-infections-in-ontario-shoot-back-up-past-4-200-icu-admissions-near-800-1.5396099>

Ontario's COVID-19 Vaccine booking portal:

Those eligible for a vaccine can book here: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/>.

Or by phone at: 1-833-943-3900.

For general information about vaccines, call: 1-888-999-6488.

In Toronto? Here's a safe transportation option to go to your vaccine appointment:

Wheel-Trans is committed to providing vaccine rides to the elderly and people with disabilities in Toronto. Wheel-Trans is offering individual rides to City-run mass vaccination sites, pharmacies,

doctor's offices and clinics that are giving out vaccines. Customers may be joined by one Support Person on their Wheel-Trans ride.

You may be eligible for Wheel-Trans service if your disability prevents you from using the TTC's conventional transit for all or part of their trip.

If you are not yet a Wheel-Trans customer, and you think you may qualify for Wheel-Trans service, you are invited to apply by calling Wheel-Trans Customer Service at 416-393-4111, Monday to Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Existing Wheel-Trans customers can book their rides to and from their vaccine appointments by calling Wheel-Trans Reservations at 416-393-4222, seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. or through the Wheel-Trans Self-Booking Website. Access the website by clicking here:

<https://mywheel-trans.ttc.ca/SelfBooking2020/Login?ReturnUrl=%2fSelfBooking2020>.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March of Dimes

Caregiver Webinars

Caregiver Connection Group – Caregiver conversation series – 10 weeks

Date: Starting Thursday, March 4th, at 2:00pm – every Thursday, join anytime

To register for any or all sessions: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/march-of-dimes-canada-caregiver-conversation-series-tickets-142228614615?aff=ebdsoporgprofile>

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

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 Sarah, at 416-222-4448 or sarah.nydp@gmail.com