

Coronavirus: COVID-19
Current Update – December 11, 2020

As of December 11th, 2020, Canada has a total of 446, 100 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario itself has 136, 631 cases with Toronto having 47, 142 cases.

Ontario records highest number of new COVID-19 deaths since June, adds more than 1, 800 new cases

Today, the number of COVID-19-related deaths reached a high, as the province reported 45 people passed away in the last 24 hours. This is the highest number of deaths recorded since June 4th, when the same number of deaths was added. At least 29 people who died in the past day were residents of Long-Term Care (LTC) homes, and the province currently has 137 LTC sites with a confirmed COVID-19 outbreak. Ontario's COVID-19-related death toll is now at 3, 916.

The province also logged an additional 1, 848 new cases of the virus. This comes as Ontario completed a record number of COVID-19 tests over the past day, with 63, 051 tests processed. This is the second-straight day where the province has completed more than 60, 000 tests, which outpaces the daily goal of 50, 000. The province's current positivity rate is at 3.2 percent, which is the lowest it has been since Nov. 2nd.

Most cases were reported in Toronto and Peel Region, which continually have shown the highest numbers in the second wave. Toronto reported 469 new infections, and Peel reported 386.

Source: <https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/ontario-records-highest-number-of-new-covid-19-deaths-since-june-adds-more-than-1-800-cases-1.5227029>

York Region and Windsor-Essex being forced into lockdown, tougher restrictions being imposed in other regions

Ontario is moving several regions into tougher restrictions within the next few days, which includes putting both York Region and Windsor-Essex into lockdown. This will force all non-essential businesses to close in these regions. The lockdown takes effect on Monday, Dec. 14th.

Other regions facing tougher restrictions include; London-Middlesex, Simcoe Muskoka and Wellington, Dufferin and Guelph which will all be placed into the red zone. It was also announced

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that Toronto and Peel Region will remain in lockdown. All of these restrictions come as the province has seen an increase in case numbers in several regions.

Source: <https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/york-region-and-windsor-essex-being-forced-into-lockdown-tougher-restrictions-for-five-other-ontario-regions-1.5226008>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Harmony Place

Online Music Therapy Sessions

Date: Wednesdays and Fridays, starting Friday August 7th, and Wednesday August 19th, 2020

Time: 2:30 – 3:30pm

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82054622001?pwd=Z2xyZjFZQUpNRFB6YzAwU085N3pGUT09>

Meeting ID: 820 5462 2001

Passcode: 051424

For more information, contact Wanda by email at: wanda@harmonyplace.on.ca

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

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