

Coronavirus: COVID-19
Current Update – December 2, 2020

As of December 2nd, 2020, Canada has a total of 386,716 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario itself has 119,922 cases with Toronto having 42,312 cases.

Ontario records another 1,723 cases of COVID-19, 35 more deaths

The province confirmed more than 1,700 new cases of COVID-19 today along with 35 more deaths. This is a tie for the highest single-day death toll since the start of the second wave of the pandemic in the province. Provincial health officials say that 22 of those deaths involve patients of Long-Term Care homes.

Today's 1,723 new infections is up significantly from one week ago, where 1,373 cases were confirmed. There were more than 44,000 tests completed over the past 24 hours, and the province's positivity rate stands at 4.7 percent today. Of the new infections reported, 410 were in Toronto, 500 were in Peel Region, 196 were in York Region, 124 were in Durham Region and 103 were in Waterloo.

Source: <https://www.cp24.com/news/ontario-records-another-1-723-cases-of-covid-19-35-more-deaths-1.5213549>

Mayor Tory: curfew not being considered to curb Toronto's record COVID-19 spread

Toronto Mayor John Tory says that the idea of a night-time curfew has not been considered as a measure to slow the spread of the virus in the city. However, he says that it would be entertained if public health officials thought it could help. Toronto broke its record for new COVID-19 cases twice in the past few days, and recorded more than 1,300 new cases over the last 48 hours. There are almost 250 people in hospital due to COVID-19 in the city, including more than 80 in Scarborough.

The measure of a curfew was enacted in California last month, and Mayor Tory says that such a restriction would likely have to be introduced by the province. He questioned how effective a move like this would be, as people might be more encouraged to gather at people's private homes. Mayor Tory made it clear that any adjustments to the current restrictions in the city will be made on medical grounds and not political ones.

Source: <https://www.cp24.com/news/curfew-not-on-the-table-to-curb-toronto-s-record-covid-19-spread-tory-1.5213351>

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March of Dimes

Free Online Webinars for Caregivers

- The Importance of Sleep
 - Date: Wednesday, Dec. 2nd, Time: 2:00 PM

Registration for all events can be done here: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/o/march-of-dimes-canada-27715764721>

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

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