Coronavirus: COVID-19

Current Update – July 27 2021

As of July 27th, 2021, Canada has a total of 1,427,572 confirmed cases of COVID-19. Ontario has 549,576 cases and Toronto has 170,599 cases.

Ontario reports just under 200 new cases of COVID-19

Ontario is reporting 129 new cases of COVID-19 today, slightly up from 119 cases yesterday. But yesterday's case count was significantly lower than the previous four days, which had more than 150 cases per day.

Of these new cases, there are 37 in Toronto, 22 in Peel Region, and 12 in Hamilton. The seven-day average is 157, up from 149 at this time last week. The positivity rate is around 1%.

In Ontario, there are 11 active outbreaks in congregate care settings, including Long-Term Care homes, retirement homes, and in-hospital congregate care settings. There are 6 active outbreaks in congregate living settings, including group homes and supportive housing, shelters, correctional facilities, short-term accommodation, and other congregate living settings.

Across the province, there are 91people in Ontario Intensive Care Units who still test positive for COVID-19, but that number increases to 127 if you include patients who were admitted for the disease but no longer test positive. Of those patients, 81 are breathing with the help of a ventilator.

So far, over 19.1 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines have been administered in the province, and 92,035 doses were given out yesterday. Currently, about 67.3% of Ontario residents above the age of 12 have received both doses and are considered to be fully vaccinated.

Sources:

- 1.https://toronto.ctvnews.ca/ontario-logs-129-new-covid-19-cases-and-five-more-deaths-1.55246 24
- 2. Ontario Ministry of Health Situation Report #479
- 3. https://covid19tracker.ca/provincevac.html?p=ON#:~:text=In%20total%2C%2022%2C445%2C271%20doses%20of,weeks%20apart%2C%20for%20full%20efficacy.

Canada now has enough COVID-19 vaccine doses to fully vaccinate all eligible citizens: PM

As of today, Canada has received 66 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines, which is enough to fully vaccinate every eligible person over the age of 12 in the country.

Prime Minister Justin Trudeau commented: "Back in the winter I made a promise that we would have enough vaccines for all eligible Canadians by the end of September. Not only have we kept that promise, we've done it two months ahead of schedule."

Canada now has a larger percentage of its population fully vaccinated than any other G7 country. Click <u>here</u> to read more about Canada's position in the world-wide competition for acquiring vaccines.

Source:

1.https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/coronavirus/canada-now-has-enough-covid-19-vaccine-doses-to-fully-vaccinate-all-eligible-citizens-pm-1.5524660

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:

Townhall for Wheel-Trans Users

"Do you use Wheel-Trans? What about someone you know? Thousands of Wheel-Trans users could lose door-to-door access under a TTC program called the 'Family of Services.'"

Click <u>here</u> to learn more about 'Family of Services' and how it can impact you.

Date: Wednesday, August 4th from 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

ASL interpretation and closed captioning available.

To register: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/townhall-for-wheel-trans-users-tickets-162969862245

March of Dimes

3-Part Series with Caroline Tapp-McDougall

Session 2: Daily Triumphs

Date: RESCHEDULED for Monday, September 20th at 2:00pm.

Registration link to be updated soon.

Caregiver Connection Group

Caregiver Conversation Series

Date: Thursdays at 2:00pm (ongoing)

To register:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/march-of-dimes-canada-caregiver-conversation-series-tickets-14222 8614615?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.