

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #111

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Purpose of bulletin: To keep local stakeholders informed about COVID-19 and its implications for Wellington County, Dufferin County and the City of Guelph (WDG).

All editions of this bulletin are posted on [our website](#).

Current WDG Zone Level: [State of Emergency and Stay-at-Home Order](#)

Surveillance

- Information about [cases in WDG](#) can be found on our website
- Information about institutional outbreaks can be found in the [Retirement and Long-Term Care Outbreak Bulletin](#)
- Information about [vaccination progress in WDG](#) can be found on our website

Vaccine Resources

- PHO's [What You Need to Know About Viral Vector Vaccines](#) (April 14)
- PHO's [What You Need to Know About mRNA Vaccines](#) (April 14)
- PHO's [COVID-19 Real-World Vaccine Effectiveness – What We Know So Far](#) (April 12)

Province Announces Emergency Child Care for Frontline Workers

The [Government of Ontario](#) has announced it is providing [eligible health care and other frontline workers](#) with free emergency child care for school-aged children, starting Monday, April 19, 2021. During the remote learning period, emergency child care will be provided at no cost to school-aged children of eligible health care and other frontline workers. The service is intended for workers performing critical duties in the province's continued fight against COVID-19 who cannot work remotely and who have elementary school-aged children. Eligible parents and guardians with a school-aged child or children looking to access an emergency child care program should contact their local [service system manager](#) for information.

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On April 15, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is providing more than \$42 million to help 559 non-profit organizations across the province to support staff and volunteers, reimagine programming and renovate facilities as they deal with the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- On April 14, [Health Canada](#) provided an update on the safety review of AstraZeneca and COVISHIELD COVID-19 vaccines.

- On April 14, the [Government of Canada](#) announced \$150 million for better ventilation in public buildings to help reduce the risk of aerosol transmission of COVID-19.
- On April 14, the [Government of Ontario and Canada](#) announced \$656.5 million in funding to provide critical infrastructure upgrades to protect students and staff from COVID-19 in the province's schools.

Contact Information for Additional Support

WDGPH COVID-19 Call Centre

For health-related questions, including symptoms, close contacts or travel:

- Call 519-822-2715 ext. 7006
- Available Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

For non-health related questions, including business or workplace concerns, social distancing/face covering questions or non-emergency reporting questions:

- Call 519-822-2715 ext. 4020
- Available Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

For eligible priority groups needing vaccine registration and booking help: (eligible priority groups are still strongly encouraged to [pre-register and book their appointments online](#) as much as possible as it will be the fastest way to get in the system.)

- Call 1-844-780-0202
- Available Monday – Saturday from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Please do not call Public Health for your COVID-19 test results. Visit [how to get your COVID-19 test results](#).

Local Assessment Centres and Testing

Visit our website for hours and information about [local assessment centres and testing](#).

Reliable Information Sources

Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health: www.wdgppublichealth.ca

Ontario Ministry of Health: www.ontario.ca/coronavirus

Public Health Agency of Canada: www.canada.ca/coronavirus

Ontario Emergency Information: www.ontario.ca/page/emergency-information