

COVID-19 Information Bulletin #98

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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: [Red-Control](#), ([O. Reg 263/20](#))

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

School Guidance

- Ministry of Education's [Guide to Reopening Ontario's Schools](#) (updated March 2)
- Ministry of Education's [Operational Guidance: COVID-19 Management in Schools](#) (updated March 2)

Announcements and Changes to Services

- On March 2, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is supporting the arts sector with a one-time investment of \$25 million to help artists and arts organizations survive the COVID-19 pandemic.
- On March 1, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is investing \$14.3 million in 2020-21 to support nearly 300 Seniors Active Living Centres deliver new virtual initiatives to help keep seniors safe and socially connected during the pandemic.
- On March 1, the [Government of Ontario](#) announced it is providing \$150 million in additional funding to help municipal transit systems address the financial impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- On February 26, the [Government of Canada](#) announced that Canada has secured 2 million doses of the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine, authorized for use by Health Canada on February 26.
- On February 26, the [Government of Canada](#) announced that FPIInnovations has developed a certifiable, three-ply biodegradable mask manufactured with material made from sustainably produced Canadian forest fibre and biodegradable plastic, offering 85 percent filtration performance and biodegradability.

Additional Resources

- [COVID-19 Vaccine Bulletin #12](#) (February 26)
- [COVID-19 Signage Questions for Businesses and Organizations](#) (February 26)

Contact Information for Additional Support

WDGPH COVID-19 Call Centre

Please note we are experiencing higher than normal call volumes and you may not be able to get through. If attempting to pre-register for COVID-19 vaccine, please do so online at: www.wdgppublichealth.ca/register

- 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.

Please do not call Public Health for your 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