



Toronto Drop-In Network COVID Support and Engagement
Project

COVID-19 Vaccine Resources

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How to Get Vaccinated

- [How to Get Vaccinated](#)
- [Vaccination for People Experiencing Homelessness](#)
- [Vaccine Eligibility](#) - UPDATED

Third Doses:

Drop-in staff are eligible for a third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. Staff should indicate they are a health care worker when asked by the booking system and they will be able to schedule their appointment.

- Please see below to book a third dose COVID-19 vaccine:
 - Booking online via the [Provincial booking system](#) (effective Saturday, November 6 at 8 a.m.)
 - Booking an appointment in advance at a local [pharmacy](#) (some allow walk-ins.) Some [hospital vaccination clinics](#) offer third doses by appointment or drop in. Check with the pharmacy or hospital before you go.
 - Drop-in's can also schedule an onsite mobile clinic [online](#) or by contacting SSHAcovidvaccine@toronto.ca to be connected to a team lead.
 - Drop-in's can also schedule on onsite clinic through Inner City Health Associates who are administering third doses – contact Celine at celine.desjardins@icha-toronto.ca
- When attending a clinic, frontline workers should [bring proof of employment](#) verifying their eligibility (e.g. employment ID badge, or a letter from your employer).
- For more info on **third dose eligibility**, including who is eligible and **when** you are eligible, please see: https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/docs/vaccine/COVID-19_vaccine_third_dose_recommendations.pdf

Residents Without OHIP Cards:

Residents born 2016 or earlier, without OHIP cards, may get vaccinated at any city-run clinic, [hospital](#) or [pharmacy](#) clinic offering a first, second and, if [eligible](#), third/booster dose.

City Immunization Clinics

COVID-19 vaccinations are available at all [five city-run clinics](#) by appointment only. Residents without an OHIP card must provide a COVID ID number when making an appointment. To obtain a COVID ID

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number, please contact Toronto Public Health at 416-338-7600, seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Callers will be invited to leave their contact information so a representative can return their call.

Once a COVID ID number is received, appointments can be made through the Provincial Vaccine Contact Centre at 1-833-943-3900.

Required Identification

For all clinics, residents must bring an acceptable form of identification with them which may include government-issued ID (including non-Canadian and expired documents) such as a driver's licence or passport, a piece of mail with your name on it, a pay stub or a student card.

How to Get Your Vaccination Receipt

- Click [here](#) for info on:
 - How to show proof of vaccination
 - How to get your vaccination certificate
 - Out-of-province or non-Ontario stock vaccines
 - Using City facilities

Accessing Proof of Vaccination for People Who Attended a Low-Barrier Clinic or Don't Have ID

- Please see the resource document created via TDIN: <https://tdin.ca/resource.php?id=729>
- Also see the FAQ document created by University Health Network: https://tdin.ca/source/TeamVaccine_VaccinePassport%20FAQs_20210927.pdf

Vaccine Clinics

City Immunization Clinics

- Metro Toronto Convention Centre and Woodbine Mall: Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Monday to Thursday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. (closed Friday & Saturday)
- Cloverdale Mall, Mitchell Field Community Centre and 1940 Eglinton Ave E: Tuesday to Friday, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed Sunday & Monday)
- **Starting on January 30, [City Immunization Clinics](#) will be accepting walk-in visits for COVID-19 vaccinations, while continuing with booked appointments.**

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- Clinic Locations information below includes holiday hours, parking and accessibility details for City-run clinics. Use the [TTC Trip Planner](#) to find directions to City-run clinics.
- Residents can [book an appointment online](#) or call the provincial booking system at 1-833-943-3900 (TTY 1-866-797-0007). First, second and third doses are available for eligible groups.
- A health card is not needed, however individuals must bring some form of identification. Acceptable forms of identification include government-issued ID (including non-Canadian and expired documents) such as a driver's licence or passport, a piece of mail with your name on it, a pay stub or a student card.
- First Nations, Métis and Inuit individuals, including non-Indigenous partners and household members, are encouraged to contact [Indigenous-supported clinics](#).

- **Accommodations**
 - All City-run clinics are able to offer accommodation. Each clinic has parking near the entrance, ramps, elevators, and wheelchairs. Staff are also on site at each clinic to support as necessary. Clients who need a care provider or service animal with them will be accommodated. There are also privacy rooms available upon request.
 - If you require an accommodation, alert a staff member upon arrival or at any time while at the clinic.

- See more details [here](#)
 - **[Metro Toronto Convention Centre](#)**, 255 Front St. W., North Building, Lower Level, Constitution Hall, Room 107
 - **[1940 Eglinton Ave E \(Warden & Eglinton\)](#)**, 1940 Eglinton Ave. E., 2nd floor
 - **[Mitchell Field Arena](#)**, 89 Church Ave. (clinic is located on the east side of the building in the gym, enter through the Community Centre main entrance)
 - **[Woodbine Mall](#)**, 500 Rexdale Blvd. (clinic is located inside the Hudson's Bay store at Woodbine Mall – enter through entrance on second level)
 - **[Cloverdale Mall](#)**, 250 The East Mall (in the old Target store)

Pop-Up Vaccine Clinics

Click [here](#) for list of pop-up clinics offered by the City of Toronto

For additional pop-up clinics, see below:



- **Unison Health & Community Services**
 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd doses for anyone 12+
 - **NO appointment required**
 - Welcoming anyone with or without OHIP card
 - For questions: call 416-787-1661 ext. 3341 or email at vaccine@unisonhcs.org
 - **FREE Rapid Antigen Tests at all their clinics!**
 - **Locations:**
 - Jane Street Hub
 - 1541 Jane Street
 - **Tuesdays – 4:30pm-7:30pm**
 - Keele-Rogers
 - 1651 Keele Street
 - **Wednesdays – 4pm-7pm**
 - Bathurst-Finch Hub
 - 540 Finch Avenue West
 - **Saturdays – 10am-2pm (closed on Saturday, April 9th)**
- **Wallace Emerson Community Centre**
 - **Location:** 1260 Dufferin St, Toronto
 - **Dates:** **April 3, 10, 17, 24**
 - **Time:** 11:00am – 5:30pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-ins welcome**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600
- **Dufferin Mall**
 - **Location:** 900 Dufferin Street
 - **Date:** **April 3rd – 6th**
 - **Time:** 11am-6pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-in**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600
- **Bathurst Subway Station**
 - **Location:** 819 Bathurst Street
 - **Date:** **March 31 – April 3 & April 7-10**
 - **Time:** 12pm-7pm

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- **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
- **OHIP not required**
- **Walk-in**
- Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
- Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- ***St Clair West Subway Station***
 - **Location:** 370 St Clair Ave. West
 - **Date:** March 31 – April 3 & April 7-10
 - **Time:** 12pm-7pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-in**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- ***Union Subway Station***
 - **Location:** 55 Front Street West
 - **Date:** April 4th
 - **Time:** 11:00am – 6:00pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-in**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- ***Eglinton Square***
 - **Location:** 1 Eglinton Square
 - **Date:** April 4th – 6th
 - **Time:** 10:30am – 5:30pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-in**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- ***Thornccliffe Library***
 - **Location:** 48 Thornccliffe Park Drive
 - **Dates:** April 7, 14, 21, 28
 - **Time:** 10:00am – 3:00pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster

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- **OHIP not required**
- **Walk-ins welcome**
- Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
- Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- **Flemingdon Library**
 - **Location:** 29 St. Dennis Drive
 - **Dates:** April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30
 - **Time:** 10:00am – 4:30pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-ins welcome**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- **Dennis R Timbrell Community Centre**
 - **Location:** 29 St Dennis Dr, North York
 - **Dates:** April 7, 14, 21, 28
 - **Time:** 12:30pm – 3:30pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd, 3rd or booster
 - **OHIP not required**
 - **Walk-ins welcome**
 - Must be 5+ at time of vaccination
 - Vaccine hotline: 416-338-7600

- **COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at YSM Evergreen**
 - **Location:** Evergreen Centre – 365 Spadina Ave
 - **Date:** Monday-Friday
 - **Time:** 12:30pm-4:30pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - **Vaccines:** Moderna and Pfizer
 - **Walk-in, no appointment needed**
 - Contact 416-929-9614 ex. 2220 or 2238 to book
 - **No OHIP or ID required**
 - **For ages 18-24 only**

- **COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at Evangel Hall Mission Adult Drop-In**
 - **Location:** 552 Adelaide Street West (Bathurst & Adelaide)
 - **Date:** Every Monday
 - **Time:** 9:30am-11:30am
 - **No appointment required!**

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- **Vaccines:** Moderna or Pfizer vaccines
- **Doses:** Pediatric Pfizer, 1st, 2nd, booster doses, 4th doses for immunocompromised individuals
- For more info, call 416-504-3563

- **Drop-In COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic at Crossroads Plaza – Hosted by Humber River Hospital**
 - **Vaccines:** Pfizer or Moderna (depending on age)
 - Ages 5 to 17 will receive Pfizer (eligible for dose 1 or 2)
 - Ages 18 to 29 can receive Pfizer (eligible for dose 1, 2 or 3)
 - Ages 30+ will receive Moderna only due to supply (must have received 2nd dose at least 3 months/84 days ago)
 - **Dates:** Wednesday to Sunday
 - **Time:** 10am-6pm
 - ****NOTE:** vaccine clinic may close earlier than the hours above based on vaccine supply
 - **Location:** 2625 Weston Road, North York (in the Crossroads Plaza next to Mark's Clothing Store & LCBO)
 - NO appointment needed, but bring photo ID (health card optional)
 - **Eligibility:** Must live, attend school or work in Toronto (M postal code)
 - **Priority Lines:**
 - Those over 70 with mobility issues, and those who are pregnant
 - Children ages 5-11
 - Priority line for 1st/2nd doses
 - For more info about eligibility, visit: <https://www.hrh.ca/covax-clinic/>
 - For any questions, email covidvaccineclinic@hrh.ca

- **Canoe Landing Vax Days**
 - **Location:** Canoe Landing Community Centre – 45 Fort York Blvd – Room 3
 - **Dates:**
 - March 31
 - **Time:** 4pm-8pm
 - Open to residents age 5+ (must have turned 5 years old)
 - **NO appointment required**
 - mRNA vaccine available
 - 1st, 2nd and 3rd doses
 - **OHIP not required; other forms of ID accepted**

- **St Alban's B & G Club**
 - **Location:** 843 Palmerston Ave
 - **Dates:** March 31
 - **Time:** 3pm-7pm
 - **Vaccines:** mRNA vaccine available

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- **Doses:** kids, 1st, 2nd and boosters
- Open to all; must be 5+ years of age
- **No appointment required**
- **OHIP not required. Other forms of ID accepted**

- **Parkdale Queen West CHC**
 - These clinics are for people born 2004 or earlier
 - Offering 1st or 2nd doses as well as boosters for people who are eligible
 - Offering Moderna for now until the Pfizer supply stabilizes.
 - **Booking link:** <https://www.twfht.ca/c193rdpd.php>
 - **OHIP is not mandatory for booking**, but please put your date of birth so that we can accurately order vaccine.
 - **The links will open new spots every week. PQWCHC plans to run these clinics weekly until the end of March:**
 - Tuesdays from 2-7 at 168 Bathurst (Bathurst and Queen)
 - Wednesdays from 2-4:30 at 1229 Queen Street West (Queen and Dufferin)

- **Waterfront Neighbourhood Centre COVID-19 Mobile Clinic**
 - **Walk-ins first come, first serve, starting January 15, 2022**
 - **Age:** Residents ages 5+
 - **Location:** Waterfront Neighbourhood Centre (627 Queens Quay West, Toronto)
 - **Dates:**
 - Mondays from 4pm-8pm
 - Saturdays from 12pm-4pm
 - **Vaccines:** Moderna for 1st, 2nd and 3rd, limited Pfizer doses available for ages 18-29
 - What to bring: health card or government-issued ID (**not required**)
 - For more info, contact info@waterfrontnc.ca or call 416-392-1509

Vaccine clinics via TEHN in East Toronto

(UPDATE) Mobile school clinics for March 25 to 27 (for children AND adults – WALK-INS ONLY)

- Please note: There are no mobile school clinics scheduled for March 28 to April 3. Moving forward, our school outreach team will be scheduling mobile school clinics on a one-off basis.
- See all upcoming school clinics: tehn.ca/VaccinePopUps
- [Download and share mobile clinic flyers for outreach and promotion in your communities.](#)

Thorncliffe Park Community Hub clinic (for children AND adults – APPOINTMENTS AND WALK-INS)

- Walk-in hours: Monday to Thursday, 10:15 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.
- More info: tehn.ca/VaccineClinics

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(UPDATE) Shoppers World Danforth, Gerrard Square, Eglinton Square and Pape and Danforth clinics (for 12+ only – APPOINTMENTS AND WALK-INS)

- The following are the last days of operation for some of these clinics:
 - Eglinton Square: March 26
 - Gerrard Square: March 27
 - Pape and Danforth: March 30
- See updated hours: tehn.ca/VaccineClinics

Appointments continue to be accepted at all of the above clinics. Book an appointment at covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine or call 1-833-943-3900.

Additional clinic options from our partners

- Toronto Public Health (TPH) also operates pop-up vaccine clinics in East Toronto that are open to eligible individuals by walk-in. [See all upcoming vaccine clinics operated by TPH.](#)

Mobile School COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

- See [here](#) for list of flyers

Specialized/Low-Barrier Vaccine Clinics

- **CAMH COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic**
 - **Tuesdays-Fridays**
 - 9am-4pm (arrive by 3:30pm)
 - First and second doses
 - Ages 12+
 - Where:
 - Sandi & Jim Treliving Gym in the Bell Gateway Building
 - 100 Stokes Street, Toronto
 - “Our clinic offers a **small, lower-stimulation environment**. Our **staff are trained to support people with mental illness, substance use disorders, dementia and other neurodiversity**. For people who may experience difficulties in a larger clinic setting, we try to provide a calm, judgement-free space that is safe and accepting.”
 - **To book an appointment**, visit: www.camh.ca/covidvaccine
 - If you have needle anxiety or a fear of needles and would like accommodations during your appointment, please do not schedule through our booking site and email us instead at vaccinationclinic@camh.ca to schedule your appointment.
- **Thorncliffe Park Community Hub clinic (for children AND adults)**
 - This clinic features a family-friendly design, including:
 - Separate vaccination pods for improved privacy;

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- Wide aisles to accommodate strollers;
 - Positive distractions, such as puppets, iPads and other activities; and
 - Child Life Specialists who work with children and families to help make the vaccination experience as comfortable as possible.
- More info: tehn.ca/VaccineClinics.
- **COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic at YSM Evergreen**
 - **Location:** Evergreen Centre – 365 Spadina Ave
 - **Date:** Monday-Friday
 - **Time:** 12:30pm-4:30pm
 - **Doses:** 1st, 2nd and 3rd
 - **Vaccines:** Moderna and Pfizer
 - **Walk-in, no appointment needed**
 - Contact 416-929-9614 ex. 2220 or 2238 to book
 - **No OHIP or ID required**
 - **For ages 18-24 only**
- **COVID-19 Vaccination at 40 Oak (Fred Victor Building) via Regent Park CHC**
 - **To Book a COVID-19 Vaccination Appointment:** visit <https://regentparkchc.org/covid-19-vaccine-clinic/>

Starting on April 1st:

COVID Vaccination Clinic @ 40 Oak St. (April - 2022)

Days	Time	Age Eligibility	Booking
Tuesday	2:45 pm – 8:00 pm	12+	Appointments are strongly recommended, walk in are accepted until vaccine supplies last
Saturday	9:30 am – 1:00 pm	5+	

- If you cannot access the booking tool, please call (416) 642-1359 for assistance with booking.
- Appointments are available for 4th doses [COVID-19 Vaccination Appointment booking page](#)
- **Walk-ins are welcome (try booking appointments to avoid long waiting times in cold weather)**
- The clinic is open to **anyone**
- **People with no immigration status** are welcome at our clinic.

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- **People with no fixed address** are welcome at our clinic.
- **People with no identification** are welcome at our clinic. But if you do have an OHIP card or other identification, please bring it with you as it will help with the registration process.
- Receiving vaccines for someone else is considered fraud.
- The clinic is fully **wheelchair accessible**.
- Our clinic is **multilingual**, and **privacy stations** are available.
- You are welcome to bring **up to 1 support person** with you, if required.
- First, second, third and fourth doses (**Appointments are strongly recommended** to minimize wait times outside in cold)
- Please let us know if you require any additional accommodations.

Hospital Immunization Clinics

Hospital and Ontario Health Team (OHT) immunization clinics are providing first and second dose vaccination appointments to individuals in Toronto. Some locations may also offer walk-in vaccinations. Please review the eligibility criteria and booking details for each clinic:

- [Centre for Addiction and Mental Health Vaccine Clinic](#)
- [Humber River Hospital Vaccine Clinic](#)
- [Michael Garron Hospital](#) – East Toronto Health Partners
- [North York General Hospital](#) – North York Toronto Health Partners
- [Regent Park Community Health Centre](#) – Downtown East Toronto OHT
- [Scarborough Health Network](#) – Scarborough OHT
- [Sherbourne Health](#) – Downtown East Toronto OHT
- [Sunnybrook Vaccination Clinic](#)
- [University Health Network](#)

Child & Youth Vaccination Clinics

Everyone born in 2016 or earlier is currently eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine.

Click [here](#) for:

- Risks of COVID-19 in children
- Vaccination clinics
- Vaccine safety
- Benefits of the COVID-19 vaccine
- COVID-19 vaccine clinical trial for children 5 to 11 years old
- Talk to your child about getting the vaccine
- Second dose

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- Vaccine resources

Other ways to book an appointment for children aged 5-11:

- Book an appointment at another clinic using the [provincial booking system online](#) or by calling 1-833-943-3900.
- Book an appointment at a [local pharmacy](#) offering the vaccine for children aged 5 to 11.
- Contact your primary care provider or paediatrician to confirm if they are offering the vaccine for children aged 5 to 11.
- **Wellesley Community Centre**
 - Location: 495 Sherbourne Street
 - Date/Time: Fridays and Saturdays from 9:30am – 4:00pm, and
 - Date/Time: Thursdays from 12:30pm – 7:00pm
 - Appointments available for **children vaccination**.
 - [Click here](#) for more details

- **Regent Park, 40 Oaks (Fred Victor)**

- Location: 40 Oak Street
- Dates, times, age eligibility and booking availabilities:

Monday	3:30 pm – 8:00 pm	12+	3rd doses by appointment only
Tuesday	2:45 pm – 8:00 pm	12+	3rd doses by appointment only
Friday	3:30 pm – 8:00 pm	12+	3rd doses by appointment only
Saturday	8:30 am – 12:00 pm	5-11 12+	By appointments only

- Appointments available for **children vaccination**.
- Click [here](#) for more details.

Pharmacy Clinics

- [Find the pharmacy](#) closest to you that offers COVID-19 vaccines.

Transportation to Clinics

- The Vaccine Equity Transportation Plan offers transportation services to people who may be unable to access or afford existing transportation options to get to their vaccination appointments.
- This program is intended for those who have no other options for transportation to vaccination appointments.

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- See More Info Here: <https://www.toronto.ca/home/covid-19/covid-19-protect-yourself-others/covid-19-vaccines/covid-19-how-to-get-vaccinated/>

How to Set Up a Vaccine Clinic at Your Drop-In

Mobile Peer Ambassador Program

- “SSHA has been working closely with Toronto Shelter Network, Toronto Public Health (TPH), Social Development & Financial Administration (SDFA) and other community partners to address vaccine hesitancy and increase vaccination rates for people experiencing homelessness.
 - A new peer ambassador program has launched, led by The Neighbourhood Group. Initially, peer workers will visit shelter sector sites with identified lower vaccine uptake (those reporting <50% clients with Covid-19 vaccine first doses administered) and will align their visit with the Enhanced Mobile Operations clinic dates/times in order to capitalize on existing on-site support and immediate access to the vaccine. Shelters will also be able to request the mobile peer workers attend their sites or to support other clinics by emailing Maiesha at The Shelter Network maiesharahman.tsn@gmail.com” (*City of Toronto: Shelter, Support & Housing Administration Memorandum from June 18, 2021*).

Inner City Health Associates (ICHA)

- The population health services at ICHA are working with a number of shelter partners to enhance capacity building in the shelter sector and create a bridge between the shelter sector and the health care system by investing in the training of Health Ambassadors. To gain more information, please reach out to Grace Richandi at grace.richandi@icha-toronto.ca
 - If you would like to set up a vaccination clinic at your drop-in centre, Inner City Health Associates (ICHA) has a Mobile Vaccine Team which will provide vaccinations for staff and clients. To inquire about setting up a vaccine clinic, please reach out to Celine at celine.desjardins@icha-toronto.ca
 - **ICHA offers \$25 incentives for clients who get vaccinated!!!**
 - *Staff and participants can also call their vaccine hotline number for their COVID-19 vaccine: 437-779-1998*

Anishnawbe Health Toronto

- Emphasizes **COVID-19 testing and vaccination** to drop-ins across the City, including services in Scarborough. They are available Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm, but if there is a need, they are willing to consider hours outside this, including Saturdays.
 - If this is something you would be interested in, contact Leslie Saunders by e-mail at lsaunders@aht.ca or by cell at 416-908-3526.

Other Indigenous-led Vaccine Clinics

- Access Indigenous-led vaccine clinics through the Tkaronto Indigenous Vaccine Access website: <https://www.tkarontovaccines.com> OR phone Auntie at 437-703-8703

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Through East Toronto Health Partners

- Visiting workplaces in East Toronto to administer vaccines.
- See eligibility and request a visit: tehn.ca/WorkplaceVaccine.

Through Toronto Public Health

- Toronto Public Health is encouraging any homelessness service organizations to reach out to them to book a mobile clinic. Organizations can book a one-time visit, or a reoccurring clinic, and the clinic could supplement any existing bookings you have with another organization.
- If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Linda Godfrey Linda.Godfrey@toronto.ca
- **How to request a mobile clinic:** An authorized individual may complete and submit the [online request form](#). Please ensure that your contact information is entered correctly. Submitting the form serves as confirmation of your willingness to host the mobile clinic.
- **Next steps after you submit your request:** TPH staff will call or email you within three business days to confirm the details of your request and any additional information required. If your request is accepted, TPH will work with you to collaboratively plan the clinic. It is expected that you will take a lead role in promoting the clinic as part of the planning process.

Booking Black-led Vaccine Clinics

- To address the increasing need for diverse clinical teams that promote and administer vaccines, the Toronto Shelter Network (TSN) is collaborating with the Black Physicians' Association of Ontario (BPAO), Inner City Health Associates (ICHA), City of Toronto, and IMAGINE Clinic to deliver COVID-19 vaccine clinics staffed by Black healthcare providers.
- For any questions or concerns, please reach out to Maiesha Rahman (maiesharahman.tsn@gmail.com) or Soha (coordinator.tsn@gmail.com).

GO-VAXX Mobile Clinic Initiative

- The GO-VAXX Mobile Bus is available to drop-ins for **onsite COVID-19 vaccinations!**
- Please reach out to GOVAXX@ontario.ca to arrange a date and time

Mandatory Vaccine Policy

News Release – August 17, 2021:

Ontario Makes COVID-19 Vaccination Policies Mandatory for High-Risk Settings

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“TORONTO — In response to evolving data around the transmissibility of the Delta variant and based on the recent experiences of other jurisdictions, the government, in consultation with the Chief Medical Officer of Health, is taking action to increase protection for our most vulnerable, including frail seniors, immunocompromised individuals and young children who are not yet eligible for vaccination. This includes making COVID-19 vaccination policies mandatory in high-risk settings, pausing the province’s exit from the Roadmap to Reopen and providing third doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to vulnerable populations. The government is also expanding eligibility for the Pfizer vaccine to children born in 2009 or earlier.

To protect vulnerable patients and staff in settings where the risk of contracting and transmitting COVID-19 and the Delta variant is higher, the Chief Medical Officer of Health has issued a directive mandating hospitals and home and community care service providers to have a COVID-19 vaccination policy for employees, staff, contractors, students and volunteers, and for ambulance services to have a COVID-19 vaccination policy for paramedics. The vaccination policy must be effective no later than September 7, 2021, and at a minimum will require these individuals to provide proof of one of three things:

- Full vaccination against COVID-19;
- A medical reason for not being vaccinated against COVID-19; or
- Completion of a [COVID-19 vaccination educational session](#).

Individuals who do not provide proof of full vaccination against COVID-19 will be required to undertake regular antigen testing. These settings will be required to track and report on the implementation of their policies to the provincial government. This is similar to the vaccination policy requirements currently in place for long-term care homes.

“While Ontario remains a leading jurisdiction for first and second doses administered and we have the infrastructure in place to manage outbreaks, the Delta variant is highly transmissible and the experience of other jurisdictions shows we must remain vigilant as we head into the fall,” said Christine Elliott, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. “By taking additional measures in high-risk settings we will further protect our most vulnerable, safeguard hospital capacity, ensure a safe return to school and keep Ontario running.”

Vaccination policies will also be implemented in other higher-risk settings such as:

- Post-secondary institutions;
- Licensed retirement homes;
- Women’s shelters; and
- Congregate group homes and day programs for adults with developmental disabilities, children’s treatment centres and other services for children with special needs, and licensed children’s residential settings.”

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See more here: <https://news.ontario.ca/en/release/1000750/ontario-makes-covid-19-vaccination-policies-mandatory-for-high-risk-settings>

After speaking with someone from Toronto Public Health and with someone from the Ministry of Health on whether or not drop-ins fall under the mandatory vaccination policy that is set to go into effect as of **September 7th, 2021**, there has still not been very clear guidance on this. We personally think that drop-ins would fall under the “Home Care and Community Services Act, 1994” covered in **Directive #6**, as this includes things such as community support services (eg: meal services, adult day programs, social services, etc.), but this still remains unclear.

PLEASE READ Directive #6 for info on who is covered under this directive, and to review step-by-step guidance on how to create a vaccine policy for your site, found here: https://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/docs/directives/vaccination_policy_in_health_settings.pdf

- Covered Organizations may contact the ministry’s Health Care Provider Hotline at 1- 866-212-2272 or by email at emergencymanagement.moh@ontario.ca with questions or concerns about this Directive.
- Covered Organizations are also required to comply with applicable provisions of the Occupational Health and Safety Act and its Regulations

Toronto Public Health also has information on mandatory vaccine policies: <https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/accountability-operations-customer-service/city-administration/corporate-policies/people-equity-policies/covid-19-mandatory-vaccination-policy/>

**Important reminder – vaccination status is considered personal health information, and must be treated as such. Sites have an obligation to store this information safely and to keep this information private from others. When collecting information about a worker’s vaccination status:

- Identify ways to safeguard workers’ personal health information.
- Limit information collected to the worker’s name and date of vaccination for each dose.
- Keep worker vaccination information separate from their personnel file.
- Ensure personal health/vaccination information is kept in a secure manner and only used when required.

See more info here from Toronto Public Health on creating a Vaccine Policy: <https://www.toronto.ca/home/covid-19/covid-19-reopening-recovery-rebuild/covid-19-reopening-guidelines-for-businesses-organizations/covid-19-guidance-employers-workplaces-businesses/covid-19-vaccine-information-for-employers/?accordion=establishing-a-vaccination-policy-for-your-workplace>

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September 1, 2021:

Direction from SSHA on a mandatory vaccine policy for drop-ins. See below:

“Currently, there is no specific guidance or direction on mandatory vaccine policies for day time drop-in settings.

Through new shelter standards directive in development, congregate living settings such as shelters and 24-hour respites will be required to have a vaccination policy, aligned with the City’s new policy for City staff working in shelters. More information will be provided on this...”

“At this time, we are encouraging all of our other partner organizations to review the [City’s mandatory vaccine policy](#) and consider developing their own policy within their organizations to ensure the greatest possible vaccine uptake.

We will continue to review new provincial direction related to mandatory vaccines and vaccine passports as more information is available and keep you posted as we know more about any requirements outside of shelter settings that may be applicable to drop-in settings.”

September 8, 2021:

- [SSHA Memorandum – Mandatory Vaccination Policy](#)
- The memo shared information about the City of Toronto mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for all City staff. The policy, announced on Aug 19, outlines that:
 - As of September 13, 2021, all City staff will be required to disclose and provide proof of their vaccination status. Staff who have not been vaccinated or who do not disclose their vaccination status by September 13 will be required to attend mandatory education on the benefits of vaccination. Unvaccinated staff will then need to provide proof of first dose no later than September 30.
 - As of October 30, it will be mandatory for all City staff to have received their first and second doses of a COVID-19 vaccine. The City will comply with its human rights obligations and accommodate employees who are legally entitled to accommodation.
- The memo then shared that in alignment with the City of Toronto's mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination Policy for its employees, **SSHA will be releasing a Toronto Shelter Standards (TSS) and 24-Hour Respite Site Standards (TRS) directive on mandatory COVID-19 vaccination for employees of City funded Shelter and 24-hour Respite sites including 24-hour Women's Drop-in services.** All staff, including external contractors, will need to be fully vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine by October 30, 2021.

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September 16, 2021:

- SSHA - Directive on Mandatory Vaccination for staff of City funded Shelter, 24-hour Respite and 24-hour Women's Drop In providers - <https://www.toronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/987d-TSS-Directive-2021-02-Mandatory-Vaccination.pdf>
- SSHA – FAQ for Mandatory Vaccination: <https://www.toronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/9043-Mandatory-Vaccination-FAQ-09.16.2021.pdf>

Paid Leave for Vaccination

“Ontario workers may qualify for up to [three days of paid sick leave](#) under provincial legislation. The pay is at regular wages, up to \$200 per day. Workers may take time off work to get vaccinated or if they have side effects from the vaccine. However, the three days are not in addition to existing paid sick days, if offered by the employer.

Employers may apply for reimbursement from the Workplace Safety Insurance Board (WSIB) for payment made under this sick leave program. The program is currently retroactive to April 19, 2021 and will end on September 25, 2021.”

Resources:

- [Ontario COVID-19 worker income protection benefits](#)
- Poster: [Employees have paid sick days \[PDF\]](#)

More information about sick leave during COVID-19:

- [Infectious Disease Emergency Leave](#)
- [Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit](#)

COVID-19 Webinars

Webinars for COVID-19 Vaccines in Children:

1. Max the Vax.

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Learn all about the COVID-19 vaccine for children ages 5 to 11.

<https://www.oacas.org/what-we-do/communications-and-public-engagement/maxthevax/>

2. Information Session About Kid's COVID-19 Vaccines for the Mandarin Speaking Community (see below flyers in English and Mandarin):

Information Session about Kids' COVID-19 Vaccines for the Mandarin Speaking Community

**Mar 23, 2022
6:30-7:30 PM Eastern Time**

ZOOM:
<https://bit.ly/33uL4>
Meeting ID: 836 9272 4645
Passcode: 636522



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+1 647 374 4685 Canada
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<https://regentparkchc.zoom.us/j/kx1tnfwfp>

For more information and to send questions for the presenters in advance of Townhall.
Email: covidvaccinesforkids@gmail.com

Frequently Asked Questions:
COVID-19 Vaccines for Children

Speakers:



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Nurse Practitioner, South Riverdale Community Health Centre



Nancy Yi
Registered Nurse, South Riverdale Community Health Centre

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时间: 2022年3月23日
东部时间晚上6点30分到7点30分



ZOOM:
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如欲了解更多信息并在会议之前向讲员提问
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3. COVID-19 Vaccine Webinar for Agencies Serving Children and Families:

Wednesday, March 30, 2022 10:00 am, Eastern Daylight Time (Toronto, GMT-04:00)

Toronto Public Health invites managers, staff and volunteers from child-serving organizations to an online session about COVID-19 vaccines.

This session will be presented by Dr. Vinita Dubey, Associate Medical Officer of Health, and includes a question and answer period.

This session will cover:

- Vaccine recommendations for children
- COVID-19 risks and vaccine benefits
- Promoting vaccines to parents
- Updates on COVID-19 and public health measures

No registration required.

Date: Wednesday, March 30, 2022

Time: 10:00 am – 11:00 am

[Click here to join online](#)

Password (if required): Toronto

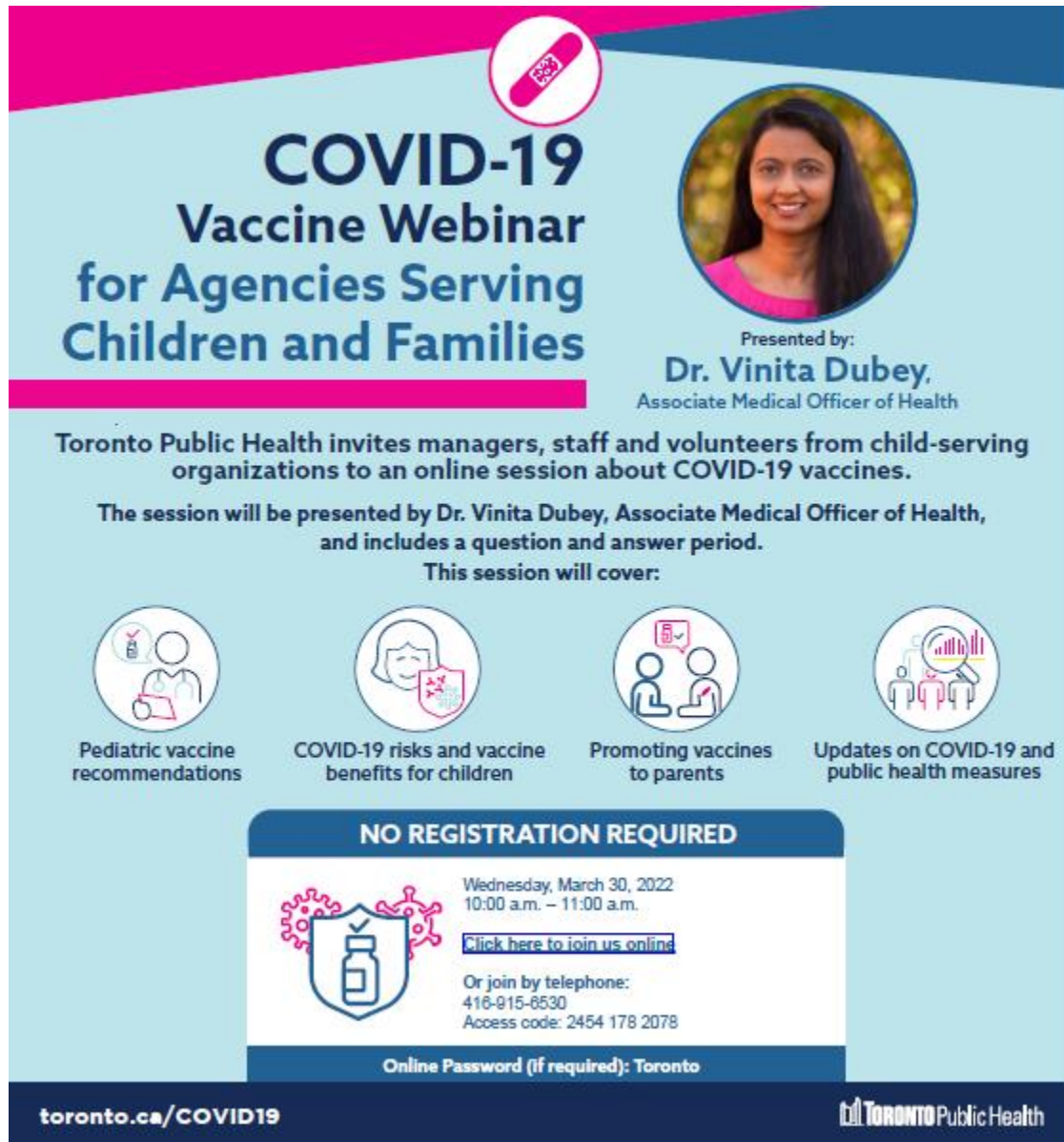
Or

Join by phone

416-915-6530

Access code: 2464 251 0772

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Wednesday, March 30, 2022
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

[Click here to join us online](#)

Or join by telephone:
416-915-8530
Access code: 2454 178 2078

Online Password (if required): Toronto

toronto.ca/COVID19 

Webinar Recordings:

COVID-19 vaccination in children, presented by Dr. Upton Allen from Sick Kids and Sophia Ikura from Health Commons Solutions Lab:

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November 3, 2021

The [recording and slide deck](#) is found under the past presentations tab

Vaccine Q&A for Children Aged 5-11 (NEW)

MGH hosted a Community Q&A on the COVID-19 Vaccine for Children and Families on Wednesday, November 10 at 6 p.m.

[You can watch a recording of the event here](#)

COVID-19 Vaccines & Children: A Webinar for Parents & Guardians

November 15, 2021

Recording: <https://toronto.webex.com/recording/service/sites/toronto/recording/a8e20e9a285b103a99f30050568f09a5/playback>

COVID-19 Vaccination Webinar for Elementary & Secondary School Staff: A Focus on Children

November 18, 2021

Recording: <https://toronto.webex.com/recording/service/sites/toronto/recording/91e538772a17103a9dce0050568168de/playback>

COVID-19 vaccines and children presentation

December 2, 2021

Recording:

<https://toronto.webex.com/recording/service/sites/toronto/recording/2a8a1ef035b7103aaff70050568ff132/playback>

Slide deck: https://centralneighbourhoodhouse.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/tdinipac_tngcs_org/EZXQ7SjQ17ZBIHIDJ0fmoXUBjy8YqovcTsv-0ObR4FrJuQ?e=vLFNXj

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COVID-19 Webinar: Update session for Community Organizations

January 20, 2022

Recording: [City of Toronto Web Conferencing - Replay Recorded Meeting \(webex.com\)](#)

Slide deck: https://centralneighbourhoodhouse.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/tdinipac_tngcs_org/Ecfaec5RDlJBv9VIn5Wlwk0BPB52DZyl2-Sye9cJNljX8Q?e=enwKyK

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General Webinars:

1. COVID-19 Vaccines - Specially Targeted Educational Program (STEP)

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- Upcoming Vaccine Confidence session to help inform those working with Black and racialized communities on the efficacy and safety of COVID-19 Vaccines
- Types of vaccines and how they work, efficacy/effectiveness
- Speaker: Dr. David Burt, PhD – Immunologist, member of the City of Toronto’s Black Scientist Task Force on Vaccine Equity

REGISTER HERE: <https://web.cvent.com/event/38f7b88a-6004-4eec-9253-099139d5c29a/summary>

This webinar series, specifically targeted at Black and racialized communities across Ontario will provide information on COVID-19 vaccines for individuals involved in educating communities on the efficacy and safety of the COVID-19 vaccines. Through a series of talks, educators will be equipped with essential information on vaccine facts and myth-busters. Educators will be able to share information in a culturally-responsive manner, to vaccine-hesitant communities ensuring that persons within these communities deciding on COVID-19 vaccination, do so based on correct information.

The STEP Speaker Series organized by SickKids is series of presentations that will be delivered by various experts. The programme is being run in collaboration with the SickKids Learning Institute, the Black Creek Community Health Centre, the Scarborough Health Network VaxFacts and the Black Physicians’ Association of Ontario (BPAO).

Topics include:

- **General issues, myths, and misconceptions**
- **Types of vaccines and how they work, efficacy/effectiveness**
- **Answers to common questions**
- **The COVID-19 vaccine and pericarditis and myocarditis**
- **Coagulation issues with vector vaccines**
- **Monitoring of vaccine safety in Ontario and Canada**
- **Allergies and immune response to vaccines**
- **Patients with weakened immune systems (immunocompromised)**

Who Should Attend?

- **Healthcare workers**
- **Community health outreach workers**
- **Community leaders**
- **Others involved in the transfer of information to vaccine-hesitant communities**

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