

Dear Guelph and Area Residents,

Thank you for everything you are doing to protect yourself and others from getting COVID-19.

Vaccine is coming very soon! Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing more specific details about our local vaccination plan as we continue our work with Public Health and other community partners to develop the plan.

We are writing at this time to ask that when it is your turn, we encourage and urge everyone to **please get vaccinated, SAY YES!** Making sure you get vaccinated helps to save your life and protect the lives of others.

We understand you may have questions about the vaccine. **We believe the vaccines are very safe:** we all plan to get vaccinated ourselves! As with all vaccines, people may experience side effects after receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. These are normal signs that your body is building protection. The most common side effects are pain at the injection site, fever, and chills. These side effects tend to be mild to moderate and go away on their own within 1–2 days.

If you would like more information about vaccine, we recommend the following websites:

canada.ca/en [click on **Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Vaccines**]

covid-19.ontario.ca [click on **Learn about vaccines**]

wdgpublichealth.ca [click on **COVID-19 Vaccines in WDG**]

Finally, just a reminder - COVID-19 vaccines are one important tool to help stop the pandemic. But in the meantime and even after vaccination, **everyone needs to continue following all the current guidance to protect themselves and others**, including wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet away from other people and washing your hands thoroughly and often.


Thank you again for all you are doing to stay safe.

On behalf of our staff, we the **doctors** of the **Guelph Family Health Team** thank you.

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