

COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE #93 FROM HALTON REGION PUBLIC HEALTH

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TO: Halton Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Emergency Departments, other Healthcare Providers

FROM: Dr. Joanna Oda, Associate Medical Officer of Health

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RE: COVID-19 Vaccine Update 93: Register today for webinar on Thursday re: immunizing children under 5 against COVID-19

QUICK FACTS

- All healthcare professionals, including family physicians, pediatricians, pharmacists and nurses, are invited to join Halton Region Public Health to learn the most recent updates about immunizing children under 5 against COVID-19.
- [Register today for the webinar](#) on Thursday, August 11 from 7-8 p.m.
- Submit your questions during registration so we can customize the presentation to meet your needs. Live question and answer session will follow the brief presentation.

KEY MESSAGES FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

- It's important to vaccinate our younger children against COVID-19 since COVID-19 hospitalizations among those under 19 years of age is the highest among children aged 0-4.
- More than 1,000 children under 5 years of age have been hospitalized from COVID-19.
- Starting July 28, people can book an appointment for their children between 6 months and 5 years at a Halton Region community clinic at halton.ca/COVIDvaccines.
- People who previously had a COVID-19 infection can boost their protection against COVID-19 by getting their next eligible COVID-19 vaccine 2-3 months after symptoms started or after testing positive.

Youth infection outcomes as of July 2, 2022 (Public Health Ontario)	
Population	Hospitalizations
0-4	1,068
5-11	258
12-19	472
Total	1,798

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [Healthcare Professional Town Hall: Immunizing children under 5 against COVID-19](#), Halton Region Public Health
- [Sick Kids' COVID-19 Vaccine Consult Service](#) – 1-888-304-6558

Please report all suspected/confirmed cases of [Diseases of Public Health Significance](#) (only report COVID-19 cases occurring in high-risk settings) to Public Health immediately by calling 311, 905-825-6000 or toll free at 1-866-442-5866.

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