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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: Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Prevention Program Update

QUICK FACTS

- **As of April 4, the Ministry of Health has declared the end of the 2024–2025 RSV season for the infant and high-risk children program.**
- The older adult RSV program remains active into the spring, as protection lasts for several years.
- Beyfortus is no longer available for ordering and should not be administered during the spring.
- Any unused Beyfortus should remain in [cold chain storage](#) for use in the next RSV season.

KEY MESSAGES FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

Infant RSV Program

- **The 2024-2025 RSV Season has ended. Beyfortus** (for infants and young children) or **Abrysvo** (for pregnant individuals) should only be administered next season at the direction of the Ministry of Health.
- Since Beyfortus and Abrysvo provide protection for approximately six months, the fall is the optimal time for administration, to ensure protection during peak RSV activity.
- Premises with unused, unopened doses must maintain cold chain storage (between +2.0°C to +8.0°C) for use in the 2025–2026 RSV season.
- **Do not return Beyfortus to Public Health** unless the product is expired.

Older Adult RSV Program

- RSV vaccine protection for older adults lasts up to three years.
- Continue to offer RSV vaccine (Abrysvo or Arexvy) to [eligible older adults](#) throughout the spring months.

KEY MESSAGES FOR PATIENTS

- Eligibility for the 2025–2026 infant and high-risk children RSV program will be shared closer to the fall.
- If you are pregnant or will have a young infant during the fall or winter months, talk to your health care provider and visit [Respiratory Syncytial Virus](#) to learn more about protecting your infant from RSV.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- [Respiratory Syncytial Virus \(RSV\) prevention programs, Ministry of Health.](#)

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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