



Privacy

The role of Public Health (as per the HPPA legislation)

COVID-19 is a disease of public health significance that must be reported to Public Health. I am a [insert as appropriate, e.g., public health nurse] acting under the direction of Halton Region's Medical Officer of Health. Our role is to collect information from you such as your symptoms and risk factors, provide education and identify anyone that you were in contact with so that we can act to help contain the spread of the virus in our community.

PHIPA legislation

The personal health information we are going to collect from you will be used for managing COVID-19 including tracing other individuals you may have been in Contact with. If you have questions or concerns with the collection and use of your information please let me know.

Electronic communication consent

Communications made through email, text messaging, internet and/or other electronic messaging tools have no or very limited security. Communicating using these means can pose privacy risks. The Health Department will not communicate personal information or personal health information with you via email or text message, unless: you, or your substitute decision-maker, wish to receive information this way, and you, or your substitute decision-maker, accept the privacy and security risks. If you agree to communicate electronically, please note the Health Department will follow its internal procedures to attempt to protect your personal and personal health information, however, due to the risks, confidentiality cannot be guaranteed.

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