

**COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE #51 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 51: accelerating second doses, new PCP vaccination report, AEFI townhall recording

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**QUICK FACTS**

- Halton is accelerating second doses; starting June 28, 2021 all residents who have received their first dose will be eligible to [reschedule their second dose](#) to an earlier date according to the minimum interval.
- Beginning mid-July 2021, Ontario Health will provide primary care providers who are part of a patient enrollment model (FHO, FHG, FHN, or CCM) with an online tool to help identify patients in their practice that have received a COVID-19 vaccine.
- A recording of the virtual Health Care Provider Town Hall held last week regarding adverse events following immunization is [available](#), along with the [slides](#).
- The COVID-19 Science Advisory Table for Ontario has published [Strategies to Support Ontarians' Capability, Opportunity, and Motivation for COVID-19 Vaccination](#).
- The Ministry of Health published a [Vaccination in Pregnancy & Breastfeeding Patient Decision-Making Tool](#).
- The Ministry of Health has published guidance on [COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Errors and Deviations](#).

**ACCELERATING SECOND DOSES**

- Starting Monday, June 28, all residents who have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine will be able to reschedule their second dose to an earlier date, at a minimum 28-day interval, through [Halton's online booking system](#).
- Individuals who received the AstraZeneca vaccine as their first dose, will continue to receive an interval of eight weeks or more, as per Provincial direction.
- In addition, all residents who are booking a first dose appointment will receive their second dose appointment at a minimum 28-day interval.

**PATIENT VACCINATION REPORTS FOR PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS**

- The report includes vaccine type and date(s) received.
- A [ONE® ID account](#) is required to access the report.
- Once the online tool is up and running, you can use it to proactively identify and reach out to patients who may need your help in getting a COVID-19 vaccine.
- For questions please contact [OHQO\\_PrimaryCare@ontariohealth.ca](mailto:OHQO_PrimaryCare@ontariohealth.ca).

**ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- [Building confidence in Moderna: A guide for primary care providers using the PrOTCT framework \(Centre for Effective Practice\)](#)
- [PHAC has released a primer for health care providers on addressing vaccine hesitancy in the context of COVID-19.](#)

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

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