



# Durham Region Health Department FAX about...

For Health Care Professionals



## COVID-19 Vaccine Spring Recommendations

The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) and the Ontario Ministry of Health (MOH) recommend individuals at **increased risk of severe illness** from COVID-19 receive **an additional dose** of COVID-19 vaccine this spring. **The Ontario spring COVID-19 vaccine campaign will run from April to June 2024.**

Receiving a COVID-19 vaccine this spring is particularly important for individuals at an increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19 if they did not receive a dose during the fall 2023 program.

The following individuals are recommended to receive an additional dose:

- Adults 65 years of age and older
- Adult residents of long-term care homes and other congregate living settings for seniors
- Individuals 6 months of age and older who are moderately to severely immunocompromised (due to an underlying condition or treatment)
- Individuals 55 years and older who identify as First Nations, Inuit, or Metis and their non-Indigenous household members who are 55 years and older

Eligible individuals may receive a COVID-19 vaccine if it has been **6 months** from the previous COVID-19 vaccine dose or known SARS-CoV-2 infection (whichever is later).

**All other individuals are not currently recommended to receive a COVID-19 vaccine dose this spring and should wait until further MOH recommendations are available closer to fall 2024, unless specifically recommended to receive a dose by their health care provider or if starting a primary series.**

Please continue to visit <https://www.ontario.ca/page/covid-19-vaccine-program> and <https://www.ontario.ca/page/covid-19-vaccines> for the most up-to-date COVID-19 vaccine guidance.

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