

addition, Middlesex-London, Simcoe Muskoka, and Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph are moving into “Red-Control”, Eastern Ontario Health Unit is moving into “Orange-Restrict”, and Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit is moving into “Yellow-Protect”.

In the greater Kawarthas region, there are 25 new cases to report, with 13 additional cases resolved, and the number of active cases in the region has increased by 12 to 118.

On the vaccine front, the Ontario government announced further details of its rollout. After completion of a COVID-19 vaccine readiness pilot at University Health Network in Toronto and The Ottawa Hospital, the province will begin phase one of its vaccine rollout plan. This will see an expected 90,000 doses of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine received from the federal government delivered to up to 14 hospital sites in Grey-Lockdown and Red-Control zones in December — to vaccinate health care workers in hospitals, long-term care homes, retirement homes, and other congregate settings caring for seniors — followed by 35,000 to 85,000 doses of the Moderna vaccine, once approved.

When an increased stockpile of vaccines becomes available to Ontario, the province will shift to phase two of its vaccination implementation plan, expected to begin later in the winter of 2021, when vaccinations will be administered to health care workers, as well as to residents in long-term care homes and retirement homes, to home care patients with chronic conditions, and to additional First Nation communities and urban Indigenous populations, including Métis and Inuit individuals. Ontario will enter phase three when vaccines are available for every Ontarian who wishes to be immunized (vaccinations will be strongly encouraged but not mandatory).

Most of the new cases reported in Ontario today are in Toronto (469), Peel (386), York (205), and Windsor-Essex (106).

There are double-digit increases in Durham (91), Waterloo (77), Ottawa (59), Hamilton (58), Halton (57), Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph (54), Eastern Ontario Health Unit (46), Simcoe Muskoka (39), Middlesex-London (33), Niagara (25), Renfrew (19), Southwestern Public Health (19), Leeds, Grenville & Lanark (17), Kingston, Frontenac and Lennox & Addington (13), Huron Perth (11), Brant County (11), and Thunder Bay (10), with smaller increases in Hastings Prince Edward Public Health (9), Haldimand-Norfolk (9), Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit (8), Grey Bruce (8), and Lambton (6).

The remaining 8 health units are reporting 5 or fewer new cases, with 4 health units reporting no new cases at all.

Of today’s cases, 54% are among people under 40 years of age, with the highest number of cases (709) among people ages 20 to 39 followed by 515 cases among people ages 40 to 59. With 1,753 more cases resolved since yesterday, the percentage of resolved cases has