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The first suspected COVID-19 case of the omicron variant has been identified in the Kawartha Lakes, Northumberland, and Haliburton region.

In a virtual media briefing on Wednesday afternoon (December 15), Dr. Natalie Bocking, medical officer of health for the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge (HKPR) District Health Unit, said a lab specimen has screened positive for a mutation that could indicate the omicron variant.