

Halton Highlights February 2021

Halton's COVID-19 vaccination program: Protecting Halton's most vulnerable

Halton's COVID-19 vaccination program is continuing to move forward as part of the Province's three-phase vaccine distribution implementation plan, including recent accelerations to ensure that vulnerable populations are protected as quickly as possible. In Halton and across the province, our ability to vaccinate remains dependent on an ongoing and predictable vaccine supply from the Federal Government.

In alignment with Provincial direction, our mobile teams from Halton Region Public Health and Paramedic Services are currently focused on vaccinating residents in long-term care and high-risk retirement homes. I know you join me in thanking our mobile teams for their service and dedication to protect our community. So far, the teams have completed first doses for these groups and we will continue to do whatever it takes to protect our most vulnerable as supplies are available.



Keep connected to accurate and up-to-date information

We are updating our website and social media channels regularly as our COVID-19 vaccination program progresses. Please visit halton.ca/COVID19 to access our Vaccine Program webpage where you can learn more about vaccine safety, get answers to frequently asked questions and watch video updates from our Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Meghani. As always, please make sure you are accessing accurate information from reliable sources and continue to support one another.

Kick-start your career at Halton!

Kick-start your career with one of Canada's Best Employers for Recent Graduates and one of Greater Toronto's Top Employers! The Region will be accepting applications for our paid internship program starting on February 15, 2021, which allows recent graduates to work in meaningful roles that support residents and businesses in our community. Interns will contribute to strategic initiatives, meet and learn from their mentors and discover on-the-job training for a one-year term running from June 2021 until June 2022. The positions are open to those who have recently graduated with a post-secondary degree, post-graduate certificate or diploma.

To apply for an internship, visit halton.ca.

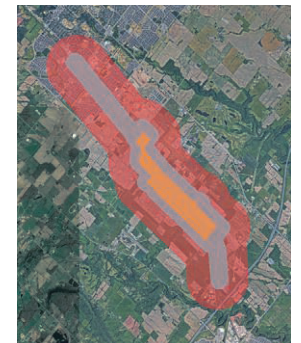


We all have a role in stopping the spread of COVID-19.

Gary Carr, Regional Chair

Federal Government approves CN's truck-rail hub in Milton, putting residents at risk

I am extremely disappointed to share that on January 21, 2021, the Federal Government ignored expert advice on significant harm to the health of residents by approving CN's proposed truck-rail hub in Milton. This is the first time in Canadian history that a Federal Review Panel has determined that a project will have significant adverse effects on human health that cannot be mitigated. It is unconscionable that the Federal Government would approve this project despite findings from an independent and expert panel that the project will cause significant adverse effects on human and environmental health.



Thank you to everyone who advocated to the Federal Government about CN's proposal. We will continue to work with the community and be their voice on this issue.

To learn more, please visit halton.ca/CN.

Meetings at Halton Region

Regional Council meetings are taking place through web conferencing until further notice. Videos will be posted to halton.ca.

Visit halton.ca for the full schedule.

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