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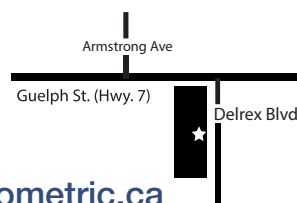
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## NEWS

# WEEKLY ROUNDUP: FORD UNVEILS RE-OPENING PLAN

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With new COVID-19 cases dropping, Ontario Premier Doug Ford announced a three-step plan to "slowly" reopen the province — starting with allowing outdoor amenities, including golf courses and tennis courts, to open since May 22. The first step of the "road map" is expected to start June 14, provided that 60 per cent of adults have received one dose of

the vaccine. In Step 1, Ontario will allow non-essential retail stores to reopen with 15 per cent capacity, outdoor gatherings of up to 10 people, and outdoor dining of up to four per table.

There will be at least 21 days between the stages.

"COVID-19 remains a significant threat," Ford said. "But, our vaccine rollout is accelerating at an incredible pace."

As for the weekly COVID-19 cases, the region's website shows that from

May 14 to 20 there were 438 new cases, a significant decrease from the previous week. Another Burlington resident had died from the illness, bringing the total deaths in Halton to 221.

As of May 20, the number of active COVID-19 cases stood at 523 — with 186 cases in Oakville, 162 in Milton, 134 in Burlington, and 41 in Halton Hills. To date, there have been 17,065 cases of COVID-19 during the pandemic, with 16,321 marked as resolved.



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**I was thinking about doing arbitration to resolve my family law dispute. What is involved?**

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Arbitration is a form of alternative dispute resolution, or "ADR". It is an alternative to going to court. It is elective, so you cannot be compelled to arbitrate your case. You must hire an arbitrator. So you get to pick who is going to oversee and decide on your case. You will hire an arbitrator with a lot of experience in family law. The arbitrator can decide many issues between you, e.g. custody, access, support and property division. However, an arbitrator cannot grant a divorce. You will sign an arbitration agreement prepared by the arbitrator before getting started. Notably, parties to an arbitration pay for the arbitrator's time, so it is a (significant) added expense. The arbitration will be run very similar to a court case, but it tends to be less formal. Arbitrations can proceed much sooner as you are not tied to the Court's calendar. Once all the evidence is in, the arbitrator will provide a decision called an arbitral award, which is legally binding. We do a lot of family/divorce law, with offices in Georgetown, Brampton and Caledon East. In light of COVID-19, we are doing most everything virtually. So we are happy to have a Zoom meeting or a telephone call without charge to you to see if we can assist you. Have a great weekend.



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**Q:** How do I get my kids to brush their teeth?

**A:** You know it's important for your child's health. As a parent, you want to do the right thing. When it comes to regular tooth brushing, though, it's become a struggle just to get your child to brush their teeth.

Some parents, unfortunately, give in and allow their children to neglect good oral hygiene. Don't make the mistake! Your children should be taught very early how to brush. This can be encouraged as a regular habit by using some of the flavored children's toothpastes now available. Try to reserve brushing for the same time each day so it comes to be an expected activity. If your child still resists, make a game of it. You may even wish to pretend to be a "dentist" for your child, in the process doing the needed brushing for them. Older children may respond to a reward system that you establish.

Perhaps most important, set a good example. Your daily brushing, flossing, and avoidance of sweets will do more to develop good dental habits than anything else.