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WEEKLY ROUNDUP: PROVINCE LIFTS RESTAURANT CAPACITY LIMIT

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Restaurants, bars and gyms are now allowed to return to full capacity.

The province made that announcement last week, adding that other public health measures, such as masks and physical distancing, will remain in place. The province made the announcement due to improving COVID-19 numbers across the province and future projections.

Halton Region reported 90 new cases of COVID-19 between Oct. 14-20, the same number as the previous week.

The 90 cases still represented a 46 per cent decrease from one month ago, when 167 cases were recorded between Sept 16-23.

One third of the new cases (30) were in Burlington. Oakville and Milton had 24 each, and there were 12 in Halton Hills.

As of Oct. 20, there were 82 active cases in the region. That is down from 87 the previous week.

As of Friday (Oct. 22, there had not been a COVID-19 related death in the region in more than five weeks.

There were 4,819 doses of COVID-19 vaccine administered during the week of Oct. 14-20. Of those, 1,554 (32 per cent) were first

doses. Of eligible Halton residents (age 12 and older), 87 per cent have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine while 84 per cent are fully vaccinated. Those percentages are unchanged from last week.

As of Oct. 20, there were four school outbreaks: Anne J. MacArthur Public School and St. Benedict Catholic Elementary School in Milton, each with two cases, and Maple Grove P.S. and Oodenawi P.S. in Oakville, with a combined three cases.

There are three other on-going outbreaks: at workplaces in Burlington and Milton and a sports and fitness facility in Burlington.



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