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We're making some changes to the ActiVan & Taxi Scrip Programs!

1

Trips can now be booked 7 days a week from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

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ActiVan, Taxi Scrip & Youth Taxi Scrip users can book trips online at haltonhills.ca/transit (Effective Jan. 1, 2022).

3

ActiVan now offers cross-boundary travel to Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital & Mount Pleasant GO Station in Brampton.

4

ActiVan fare increases to a flat rate of \$4 for all trips, weekdays & weekends (Effective Jan. 1, 2022).

5

Riders can now purchase monthly passes for \$100 & receive unlimited trips with ActiVan (Effective Jan. 1, 2022).



ActiVan

For more information, call 905-702-6435 or visit haltonhills.ca/transit

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RESOURCES FOCUSED ON HIGH-RISK SETTINGS

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our case and contact management ability."

Lobo noted that while Halton Public Health is making every effort to call confirmed COVID-19 cases in a timely manner, those infected are now required to notify household members, social contacts and workplaces themselves.

She said public health staff is focusing its resources on managing exposures in high-risk settings like long-term care, retirement homes, schools and daycares.

With COVID-19 case numbers rapidly climbing, Lobo said Halton Public Health is renewing its "strong recommendations" for all residents to minimize their contact with others, strive to leave home on-

ly for essential purposes and get vaccinated.

At Halton hospitals, Lobo reported that the number of patients infected with the virus has remained relatively stable into December, with 10 or fewer patients daily.

"Even with this low volume of COVID-19 patients, our hospitals are experiencing strain from other illnesses," she noted. "It is extremely important to reduce the number of COVID-19 cases in our community to prevent exceeding ICU capacity in the coming weeks with the introduction of the Omicron variant."

To illustrate the transmissibility of the new variant, Lobo shared details of a local Omicron case, a person who acquired the virus while travelling out of coun-

try.

This person then infected a school-aged child in their household. That child went to school and participated in sports, which she said led to exposures in multiple class cohorts and bus routes, along with community and household exposures, with siblings going on to transmit the virus in their respective schools.

Over 20 COVID-19 cases have been linked to this single case, said Lobo, with 350-plus high-risk contacts isolating.

"This clearly exhibits the speed at which Omicron is spreading," she noted.

The Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health has issued a letter asking the Ford government to implement province-wide public health measures to curb the spread of Omicron, such as gathering limits and proof of vaccination requirements in additional venues.

For further details on local case counts, visit halton.ca/COVID19.

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