

WEEKLY ROUNDUP: OMICRON SUBSIDING, NON-URGENT SURGERIES TO RESUME

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Although severe illness trends from Omicron remain high or are still increasing in some areas of the country, health officials said they're starting to see hopeful signs.

"Compared to last week's update, there are

now an average of 1,400 fewer people with COVID-19 being treated in hospitals each day," said Dr. Theresa Tam, Canada's chief public health officer, said during a weekly press conference on Friday (Feb. 11).

"However, that is still a seven-day average of over 8,700 (hospitalizations) each day, including over

1,000 in intensive care and 130 deaths reported daily," she said.

With the declining numbers in Ontario, Dr. Kieran More, the province's chief medical officer of health, said on Feb. 10 that they will resume non-emergent and non-urgent surgeries in public hospitals — starting at 70 per cent surgical

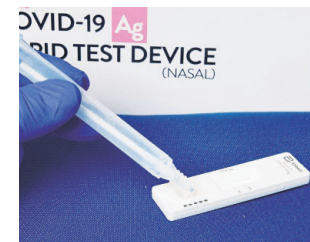
capacity for procedures such as knee and hip replacements and cataract surgeries. Capacity will increase gradually and is expected to be back to 100 per cent by late March or early April. In Halton, there were 36 people being treated in hospitals as of Feb. 11, down from 65 the previous week. Last week, there

were also 17 more COVID-19 related deaths — bringing the death toll in the region to 236.

— With files from Herb Garbutt



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Here's a weekly roundup of COVID-19 news.

Notice of Tax Due Date



Notice to Halton Hills Taxpayers.

The first instalment of the 2022 Interim Tax Bill is due on **February 24, 2022**.

How to make payments

- Drop box at 1 Halton Hills Drive (if receipt is required please leave full bill with cheque and a receipt will be mailed back)
 - By cheque (do not leave cash)
 - Post-dated cheques for the due date
- By telephone/online banking – check with your bank for more information
- Making payments with a third party payment service. We do not accept credit card payments made in person for property taxes. A convenience fee will apply. The Town accepts payments through paytm.ca and plastiq.com.

Late Payments

- A late payment charge of 1.25% will be charged on the first day of each calendar month until taxes are paid

No Tax Bill?

- Bills are mailed January 27, 2022. Failure to receive a tax bill does not excuse the owner from responsibility for payment, nor relieve him/her from liability for late payment charges. Please contact the Corporate Services Department if you did not receive yours

New properties?

- Newly built properties are likely to have tax bills related to their land value assessment only until full assessment is applied and supplementary taxes are billed. Owners are responsible for taxes billed and should make provisions for the future billing of supplementary taxes.

Senior's Tax Grant?

- To qualify for the Senior's Tax Grant, applicant must be 65 years of age, own and occupy property in Town of Halton Hills for one year and be in receipt of the Guaranteed Income Supplement. Applications are available from the Corporate Services Department and will automatically be mailed to those who qualified last year.

Questions

If you have any questions call the Corporate Services Department at 905-873-2600 or visit haltonhills.ca/tax.



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Prince Street Improvements Study Public Information Centre #1

The Town of Halton Hills is conducting a study to identify and evaluate improvement options for Prince Street between Main Street and Tenth Line in Glen Williams.

Visit letstalkhaltonhills.ca/Prince-Street to get involved and have your say. Give your input on design alternatives and more before February 24, 2022.