

WEEKLY ROUNDUP: COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS DOWN 40 PER CENT IN HALTON

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COVID-19 hospitalizations in Halton dropped dramatically in the past week, declining by more than 40 per cent.

At press time, there were 28 people in the region's hospitals with COVID-19, down from 49 at the

same time a week earlier. Of those 28 patients, 17 were admitted for COVID-19 while the remainder were admitted for other reasons and later tested positive.

The region reported six deaths due to COVID-19 over the past week. After going almost a month (Mar. 9-Apr. 4) with no CO-

VID-19 related deaths in the region, there have been 17 since Apr. 5.

The number of lab-confirmed COVID-19 cases also dropped significantly, with Halton reporting 446 over the past week, compared to 659 the previous week.

Among Halton residents ages 12 and older, 94

per cent have had at least one dose of COVID-19, 92 per cent have had two and 60 per cent have had a booster shot.

Among residents between the ages of 5 and 11, 65 per cent have had one dose while 49 per cent have had two doses.

At press time, the region had 11 on-going outbreaks, four in congregate living settings, one at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, two at long-term care homes (Extendicare Halton Hills, Maple Villa) and four at retirement



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Here's a weekly look at COVID news and cases.

homes (Appleby Place, Martindale Gardens, Sunrise of Burlington and Sunrise Senior Living of Oakville).



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NOTICE OF PESTICIDE USE

From May 16 to October 31, 2022, Halton Region Public Health will be conducting a mosquito larviciding program under the direction of Dr. Hamidah Meghani, Halton Region Medical Officer of Health, to reduce the incidence of West Nile virus (WNV) in the City of Burlington, the Town of Halton Hills, the Town of Milton and the Town of Oakville.

Larviciding in standing water

The biological larvicide, VectoBac 200G (PCP# 18158, granular) or VectoBac 1200L (PCP# 21062, liquid), will be applied to affected standing water on public lands in urban areas, where monitoring indicates that mosquito larvae are present. Signs will be posted at each location indicating when and where the larvicide has been applied.

Larviciding in catch basins

Where monitoring indicates that mosquito larvae are present, the larvicide Altosid Pellets (PCP# 21809, pellet), Altosid XR Briquets (PCP# 27694, ingot) or Vectolex WSP (PCP# 28009, pouch) will be placed by hand into catch basins. All larvicides will be applied by Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks licensed applicators or technicians.

For the locations and dates of treatment, and for more information about West Nile Virus, please visit halton.ca.

Recognizing those who help keep Halton a great place to live

In May, we have another opportunity to recognize the nurses, public works staff and paramedics who work hard to provide critical services and infrastructure that support our community each day. May 9 to 15 is National Nursing Week, recognizing the history, work, contributions and achievements of nurses across Canada. National Public Works Week is from May 15 to 21, recognizing the great work of staff who support waste management, roads and water and wastewater services. Finally, National Paramedic Services Week takes place from May 22 to 28 to celebrate the remarkable individuals who provide emergency medical care and support through community paramedic programs. Thank you for all of your exceptional work! To learn more about Regional programs delivered by these dedicated teams, please visit halton.ca.



Gary Carr
Regional Chair

Meetings at Halton Region

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As you may know the real estate market over the past several months has slowed dramatically. Here is a problem we are facing now with purchasers that bought in January-March unconditionally (which they had to do) and then delayed putting their home on the market. The buyer bought at the peak of the market in competition with numerous other offers. If they have delayed selling their home until now thinking they could sell quickly they have made a mistake. Now in order to sell quickly the sellers have to lower their expectations on the high sale price or create a law suit because they can't sell their home leaving them not able to finance their unconditional purchase. If you can't close on your unconditional purchase signed earlier in the year the sellers have to remarket and sell now quickly often at a much lower price and you get to pay the difference between the price when you bought and the price when the home actually sells plus interest, plus all the extra costs.

We are now back to a time when you should never buy, unconditionally, before you have sold if you are counting on proceeds from the sale in order to buy your new home.

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