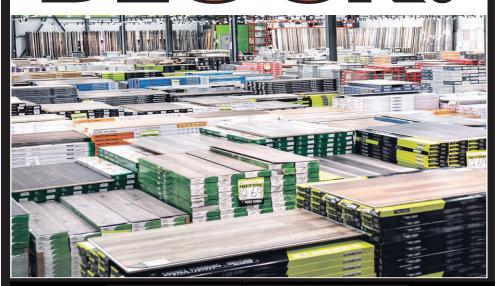




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## SECOND COVID-19 BOOSTER NOW AVAILABLE TO THOSE 18 AND OLDER

All Halton residents 18 and over are now eligible for their fourth dose/second booster of the CO-VID-19 vaccination.

Second boosters will be by appointment only at Halton Region community clinics and must be booked through the region's online booking system (halton.ca/COVIDvaccines) or by calling 311.

Appointments are available at Halton Region community clinics located in Burlington, Halton Hills, Oakville and Milton.

Residents 18 years of age and older may receive a second booster at five months (or 140 days) after their first booster, according to the region's health department.

Halton public health recommends that those at

higher risk of severe disease from COVID-19 infection and those who are already eligible get their next dose as soon as possible.

You are asked to bring your health card; if you do not have one, bring a piece of photo ID with your name and date of birth, and arrive no earlier than 10 minutes before your appointment.

First and second doses for 5- to 11-year-olds will remain as walk-in only at Halton's pediatric clinics.

Residents can also receive their doses of CO-VID-19 vaccine, including fourth doses/second boosters, at provincial GO-VAXX bus stops, participating pharmacies and some primary care providers. The province's pharmacy finder tool allows

residents to sort by location and vaccine type (Pfizer or Moderna).

Residents are asked to only call 311 if you require immediate booking support or do not have internet access.

Antibodies from vaccination or infection may decrease over time, so keeping up with doses, especially for those at higher risk of complications from the virus, is critical for preventing severe illness and hospitalization, said public health

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