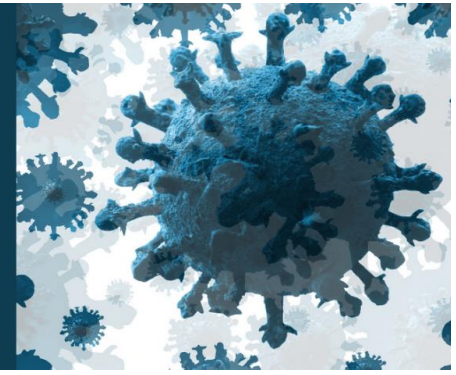


COVID-19 Immunization Update

For Health Care Providers in Oxford County, Elgin County,
and the City of St. Thomas



Week of January 11, 2021

An Update from Dr. Joyce Lock, Medical Officer of Health

Please share with staff as appropriate.

ACTION: SWPH COVID-19 Vaccination Weekly e-Newsletter

- Southwestern Public Health requires all health care providers and organizations to sign up for our weekly COVID-19 immunization e-newsletter updates. This is the primary way immunization information will be shared across the region. If you have not already signed up, please do so here: <http://eepurl.com/hnoSX5>.
- *Please note: we are legally obliged to request opt-in for this e-newsletter.*

What You Need to Know this Week:

- COVID-19 Vaccination Recommendations for Special Populations
http://www.health.gov.on.ca/en/pro/programs/publichealth/coronavirus/docs/vaccine/COVID-19_vaccination_recommendations_special_populations.pdf
- On Tuesday, January 12, 2021 Southwestern Public Health successfully completed the first just-in-time delivery and administration of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine to three long-term care homes in our region.
- COVID-19 vaccine doses remain limited. We are working closely with London Health Sciences Centre to ensure first doses of COVID-19 vaccine are administered in all long-term care home residents as soon as possible.
- London Health Sciences Centre has increased booking hours at its Agriplex Vaccination Centre. Long-term care homes are encouraged to book staff who have not yet been vaccinated, depending on vaccine availability.

Provincial-Level COVID-19 Vaccination Information

- Visit covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-vaccines-ontario for more information about Ontario's vaccination roll-out.