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AT A GLANCE

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Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), Influenza, & Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

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Note: *As of October 17, 2023 this document will include updates for other respiratory diseases of public health concern, primarily influenza and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).*

Additionally, the "Guidelines and Technical documents" section [last updated July 26, 2023] will no longer be updated, but is archived as an appendix at the end of this document.

Moving forward, any news and guidance updates will be cycled through the New Content section below, as always with the dates of the latest additions ***bolded.***

This document is a collation of resources for your reference. For official guidance on COVID-19, Influenza, and RSV in Ontario, please visit the Ministry of Health (COVID-19 | The Flu | RSV).

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Public Health Agencies

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- Canadian respiratory virus surveillance report **[updated 10-04-2024]**
- Respiratory virus trends in Canada **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- COVID-19 epidemiology update **[updated 10-01-2024]**
- Weekly influenza reports
  - FluWatch report: July 21 to August 24, 2024 (week 30-34) [09-30-2024]
- Interactive map: Influenza/influenza-like illness activity - current week [updated regularly]
- Interactive map: FluWatchers [updated regularly]

BCCDC: BC Centre for Disease Control | bccdc.ca

- Respiratory virus data: dashboards **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Respiratory virus activity in BC: weekly summary – October 3, 2024 **[10-03-2024]**
- Spring 2024 COVID-19 coverage dashboard **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- COVID-19 vaccination coverage **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Wastewater surveillance **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Genomic surveillance **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Viral pathogen characterization **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Health care visits for respiratory illness **[updated 10-02-2024]**
- Facility outbreaks **[updated 10-02-2024]**

INSPQ: Institut national de santé publique | inspq.qc.ca | inspq.qc.ca/en/

- Vaccination contre la COVID-19: recommandations pour l'automne 2024 [07-22-2024]
- Myocarditis or pericarditis following COVID-19 vaccination [07-15-2024]

CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | cdc.gov

- Resources to prepare for flu, COVID-19, and RSV **[updated 10-07-2024]**
- Respiratory illnesses data channel **[updated 10-04-2024]**
  - As of October 4, 2024, the amount of acute respiratory illness causing people to seek healthcare is low nationally.
  - COVID-19 activity is declining in most areas. Seasonal influenza is low nationally.
  - Signs of increased RSV activity have been detected in the southeastern U.S. including Florida, particularly in young children.
- People most impacted by respiratory viruses **[10-04-2024]**
- Health care provider resources for respiratory virus season **[10-03-2024]**
- CDC confirms new human cases of H5 bird flu in California **[10-03-2024]**
- COVID-NET interactive dashboard **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- H5 bird flu: current situation **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Quinlan CM, Shah MM, DeSantis CE, Bertumen JB, Draper C, Ahmad FS, et al. Differences in COVID-19 outpatient antiviral treatment among adults aged ≥65 years by age group - National

Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network, United States, April 2022-September 2023. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2024;73(39):876-82. Available from: https://doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7339a3 **[10-03-2024]**

- Zeno EE, Nogareda F, Regan A, Couto P, Rondy M, Jara J, et al; REVELAC-i Network. Interim effectiveness estimates of 2024 southern hemisphere influenza vaccines in preventing influenza-associated hospitalization - REVELAC-i Network, five South American countries, March-July 2024. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2024;73(39):861-8. Available from: https:/doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7339a1 **[10-03-2024]**
- Taylor CA, Patel K, Pham H, Kirley PD, Kawasaki B, Meek J, et al; COVID-NET Surveillance Team. COVID-19-associated hospitalizations among U.S. adults aged ≥18 years - COVID-NET, 12 states, October 2023-April 2024. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2024;73(39):869-75. Available from: https://doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7339a2 **[10-03-2024]**
- Quinlan CM, Shah MM, DeSantis CE, Bertumen JB, Draper C, Ahmad FS, et al. Differences in COVID-19 outpatient antiviral treatment among adults aged ≥65 years by age group - National Patient-Centered Clinical Research Network, United States, April 2022-September 2023. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2024;73(39):876-82. Available from: https://doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7339a3 **[10-03-2024]**
- QuickStats: rates of emergency department visits* for children and adolescents with acute upper respiratory infection,† by age group - United States, 2021-2022. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. 2024;73(39):888. Available from: https://doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7339a5 **[10-03-2024]**
- The National Respiratory and Enteric Virus Surveillance System (NREVSS) **[updated regularly]**
  - Wastewater COVID-19 national and regional trends **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Protecting infants and children from COVID-19-associated hospitalization **[10-02-2024]**
- COVID Data Tracker: Trends in United States COVID-19 deaths, emergency department (ED) visits, and test positivity by geographic area **[updated regularly]**
- Getting your immunizations for the 2024-2025 fall and winter virus season [09-27-2024]
- Weekly US influenza surveillance report: key updates for week 38, ending September 21, 2024 [updated 09-27-2024]
- Respiratory Virus Hospitalization Surveillance Network (RESP-NET) [updated regularly]
- Immunization and respiratory diseases bulletin [updated regularly]
- COVID Data Tracker [updated regularly]
- Respiratory virus index [updated regularly]

FDA: US Food & Drug Administration | fda.gov

- At-home OTC COVID-19 diagnostic tests **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Updates on highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- FDA roundup: October 1, 2024 **[10-01-2024]**
  - On Friday, the FDA updated At-Home OTC COVID-19 Diagnostic Tests to share that U.S. households are eligible to order four free COVID-19 tests at www.COVIDTests.gov. The COVID-19 tests available through this program are intended to detect a number of current COVID-19 variants and can be ordered through the end of the year. Many COVID-19 tests have extended expiration dates, so you may be able to use your COVID-19 tests after the expiration date that is printed on the box. To find out if your test has an extended expiration date, check the list of extended expiration dates.
- Gilead issues voluntary nationwide recall of one lot of Veklury (remdesivir) for injection 100 mg/vial due to the presence of a glass particle **[09-23-2024]**

- Coronavirus (COVID-19) update: daily roundup [updated regularly]

UKHSA: UK Health Security Agency | gov.uk

- Influenza, COVID-19 and other respiratory viruses: sources of surveillance data **[updated 10-07-2024]**
- COVID-19: vaccinator training recommendations **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- COVID-19: vaccinator competency assessment tool **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- COVID-19 vaccination: information for healthcare practitioners **[updated 10-03-2024]**
- Respiratory syncytial virus: the green book, chapter 27a [updated 10-01-2024]
- High consequence infectious disease: country specific risk [updated 10-01-2024]
- UKHSA data dashboard [updated regularly]

Other UK Government Bodies

Cabinet Office

- UK Covid-19 inquiry: resilience and preparedness (module 1) report [08-06-2024]

Department of Health and Social Care

- Find help and support if you have long COVID [updated 08-14-2024]

Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency

- MHRA approves Spikevax JN.1 COVID-19 vaccines for adults and children from infancy [09-02-2024]

Office for Health Improvement and Disparities

- Excess mortality within England: post-pandemic method [updated 09-19-2024]

ECDC: European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control | ecdc.europa.eu

- Communicable disease threats report, 28 September - 4 October 2024, week 40 **[10-04-2024]**
- Avian influenza overview June–September 2024 **[10-03-2024]**
- Overview of respiratory virus epidemiology in the EU/EEA weekly overview (week 39, 2024) **[updated regularly]**
  ECDC and the WHO Regional Office for Europe have jointly developed the European Respiratory Virus Surveillance Summary (ERVISS)
  - Since late spring and during summer 2024, increased SARS-CoV-2 activity in primary and secondary care has been observed in several EU/EEA countries. The timing of the epidemic varies between EU/EEA countries, with most countries now observing a stable or declining trend. However, some countries continue to experience elevated levels of test positivity.
  - SARS-CoV-2 test positivity in secondary care remains below levels observed during previous seasons at this time of year. The highest test positivity is among individuals aged 65 years and above, indicating that vulnerable populations remain at risk of severe disease.
  - The SARS-CoV-2 variant BA.2.86 and its subvariants, including KP.3, continue to dominate in EU/EEA countries.
  - Vaccination is the most effective measure to protect against more severe forms of COVID-19 and seasonal influenza. Since the protective effect wanes over time, promoting vaccination against respiratory viral diseases according to national recommendations before the beginning of the winter season remains important for all EU/EEA countries, particularly to protect individuals at higher risk of severe outcomes.

WHO: World Health Organization | who.int

- WHO dashboard of COVID-19 related recommendations **[10-08-2024]**

- Types of data requested to inform December 2024 COVID-19 vaccine antigen composition deliberations **[10-07-2024]**
- Prevalence of noncommunicable diseases and their risk factors and in-hospital mortality in COVID-19 patients in the WHO African Region: a systematic review and meta-analysis **[10-07-2024]**
- Using the WHO-INTEGRATE framework to develop a COVID-19 guideline for schools, Germany **[10-06-2024]**
- Adaptation of WHO COVID-19 guidelines by Caribbean countries and territories **[10-06-2024]**
- Regional meeting on COVID-19 vaccination reorienting and enhancing COVID-19 vaccination in the SE Asia Region New Delhi, India, 3 July 2024 **[10-03-2024]**
- Disease outbreak news: Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus - Kingdom of Saudi Arabia **[10-02-2024]**
- COVID-19 epidemiological update – 17 September 2024 [09-17-2024]
- WHO COVID-19 dashboard [updated regularly]

PAHO: Pan American Health Organization | paho.org

- Influenza, SARS-CoV-2, RSV and other respiratory viruses regional situation [09-27-2024]
- Regional Update, Influenza and Other Respiratory Viruses. Epidemiological Week 37 (20 September 2024) [09-20-2024]
- Developing respiratory pathogen pandemic preparedness plans [09-01-2024]
- Epidemiological alert - SARS-CoV-2, influenza, and other respiratory viruses in the Americas Region - 5 August 2024 [08-07-2024]

Australian Government Department of Health and Aged Care | health.gov.au

- Australian respiratory surveillance report 13 – 9 September to 22 September 2024 [09-27-2024]
- COVID-19 outbreaks in Australian residential aged care facilities – 20 September 2024 [09-20-2024]

NICD: National Institute for Communicable Diseases (South Africa) | nicd.ac.za

- Weekly respiratory pathogens surveillance report **[10-01-2024]**

Other Relevant Government Bodies / Health Care Organizations

American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

- Webinar: Prepare your clinics and pregnant patients for fall and winter respiratory virus season [08-26-2024]

AusVaxSafety

- Influenza vaccines: 2024 influenza vaccine safety data – at a glance: data from 18 March 2024–1 Septemeber 2024 [09-01-2024]

Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety

- Respiratory infectious diseases: health and safety resources [updated regularly]
- Flu and infectious disease outbreaks business continuity plan [updated regularly]

Gerontological Society of America

- Podcast: Steps to increasing adult vaccination rates [09-19-2024]
- Webinar: Current issues in immunizations: preparing your clinics and patients for fall and winter respiratory illness season [08-26-2024]

National Academy of Sciences

- National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. Addressing the impact of COVID-19 on social isolation and loneliness. Washington, DC: National Academies Press; 2024. Available from: https://doi.org/10.17226/27874 [07-18-2024]

Statistics Canada

- Looking at the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the Canadian dental industry **[10-03-2024]**
- Health Reports, September 2024 [09-18-2024]
- Provisional death counts, January 2021 to June 2024 [09-12-2024]

VaccinesWork (Gavi)

- XEC: what you need to know about the new COVID variant [09-23-2024]

Center for Infectious Disease Research Policy | cidrap.umn.edu

- FDA authorizes sale of first home COVID/flu combo test outside of emergency use **[10-08-2024]**
- California probes likely H5 infection in another dairy worker **[10-07-2024]**
- CDC: 35% flu vaccine efficacy in South America may predict similar for US season **[10-07-2024]**
- Study shows fatigue prominent feature of long COVID **[10-07-2024]**
- Nirsevimab 76% effective against severe RSV in infants in 2023-24 season, researchers estimate **[10-07-2024]**
- H5N1 infects second farm worker in California as feds bolster vaccine supply **[10-04-2024]**
- COVID-19 hospitalization remains higher among older adults **[10-04-2024]**
- US markers show more COVID decline, with RSV rise in the southeast **[10-04-2024]**
- Podcast: Osterholm Update, episode 167: a coronavirus dance **[10-03-2024]**
    - Dr. Osterholm and Chris Dall discuss the latest COVID trends, the upcoming winter respiratory virus season, and a UN meeting on antimicrobial resistance. Dr. Osterholm also provides an update on long COVID research and shares another "This Week in Public Health History" segment.
- Non-native English speakers had lower COVID vaccine uptake, data suggest **[10-03-2024]**
- Study: Prolonged antibiotics common in COVID patients with and without sepsis **[10-03-2024]**
- California reports likely H5N1 infection in dairy worker **[10-02-2024]**
- Lithium aspartate didn't relieve long-COVID fatigue, brain fog in trial participants **[10-02-2024]**
- WHO reports new MERS case in Saudi Arabia **[10-02-2024]**
- USDA confirms more H5N1 in Idaho dairy cows **[10-02-2024]**

National Collaborating Centre for Environmental Health | ncceh.ca

- September 2024 environmental health research scan [09-01-2024]
- August 2024 environmental health research scan [08-01-2024]
- July 2024 environmental health research scan [07-01-2024]

COVID-END | www.mcmasterforum.org/networks/covid-end

- Global spotlight 27.1: key additions for March 2023 [03-30-2023]

ProMED | promedmail.org

- Latest on COVID-19 [individual posts]
- Avian influenza (116): Japan (HK) HPAI H5, wild bird, WOAH **[10-07-2024]**
- COVID-19 update (41): UK, Taiwan, New Zealand, USA (FL), WHO WPRO **[10-05-2024]**
- Avian influenza (115): Germany, HPAI H5N1, poultry, WOAH **[10-04-2024]**

- African swine fever - Asia (60): Philippines (LU) domestic, red zones **[10-04-2024]**
- Avian influenza (114): Japan, HPAI H5N1, wild bird, WOAH **[10-04-2024]**
- Avian influenza, human - USA (11): (CA) H5N1, dairy cattle exposure **[10-04-2024]**
- Avian influenza (113): Japan, HPAI H5N5, wild bird, WOAH **[10-03-2024]**
- Avian influenza (112): Viet Nam, large felids, H5N1, fatal **[10-03-2024]**
- MERS-CoV (02): Saudi Arabia (SH) WHO **[10-02-2024]**
- Avian influenza, human - USA (10): (MO) H5N1, dairy cattle, more symptomatic contacts, exp recommend **[10-01-2024]**

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COVID-19 Canada Open Data Working Group | COVID-19 CODWG

- COVID-19 in Canada (case count dashboard)

Johns Hopkins CCSE | systems.jhu.edu

- 2019-nCoV Global Cases (by Johns Hopkins CSSE)

NextStrain| nextstrain.org

- Phylogeny of SARS-like betacoronaviruses including novel coronavirus (nCoV)
- Genomic epidemiology of novel coronavirus (nCoV)
- Genomic analysis of nCoV spread. Situation report 2020-01-30

WHO | who.int

- WHO coronavirus (COVID-2019) dashboard

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Reopening / Rebuilding Guidelines

Ontario

- ON Protection from COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses [updated 06-15-2023]

Canada (federal) and provinces and territories (other than Ontario)

- CA Guidance for a strategic approach to lifting restrictive public health measures [06-10-2022]
- CA COVID-19: readiness criteria and indicators for easing restrictive public health measures [05-14-2021]
- BC B.C.'s response to COVID-19 [updated 02-11-2023]
- AB COVID-19 public health actions [no date]
- SK Living with COVID [no date]
- MB COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus [no date]
- QC Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Québec [updated 07-20-2023]
- NB Living with COVID-19 [no date]
- NL NL life with COVID-19 [no date]
- PEI COVID-19 [no date]
- NS Government's response to COVID-19 [updated regularly]
- NW COVID-19 [no date]
- YT Forging ahead: the Yukon's continuing response to COVID-19 [no date]
- NT Nunavut's Path: living with COVID-19 [no date]
- National Collaborating Centre for Indigenous Health (NCCIH): Guidance on re-opening northern, remote, isolated, and Indigenous communities [2020]

WHO

- End-to-end integration of SARS-CoV-2 and influenza sentinel surveillance: compendium of country approaches [08-02-2023]
- Considerations for implementing and adjusting public health and social measures in the context of COVID-19: interim guidance [03-30-2023]

ECDC

- Conducting after-action reviews of the public health response to COVID-19: update [03-21-2023]

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Ontario Ministry of Health

- COVID-19 vaccine-relevant information and planning resources [updated 07-13-2023]

Canada (Federal)

- Planning guidance for immunization clinics for COVID-19 vaccines [updated 03-06-2023]
- For immunization providers: Interim national vaccine storage, handling and transportation guidelines for ultra-low temperature and frozen temperature COVID-19 vaccines [updated 07-31-2023]
- Guidance on the use of COVID-19 vaccines in the fall of 2023 [updated 07-11-2023]
- Interim guidance on the use of bivalent Omicron-containing COVID-19 vaccines for primary series [updated 07-05-2023]

- Summary of updates in the Canadian Immunization Guide as of June 27, 2023: Updated guidance on COVID-19 vaccines in Canada [updated 06-27-2023]

Provinces and territories (other than Ontario)

- BC COVID-19 vaccine eligibility [updated 08-01-2023]

CDC

- Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines including boosters [updated 07-17-2023]
- COVID-19 vaccines for specific groups of people [updated 06-29-2023]

UK

- COVID-19 vaccination programme [updated 08-08-2023]
- COVID-19 vaccination: vaccine product information [07-18-2023]
- COVID-19: the green book, chapter 14a [04-27-2023]

ECDC

- Interim public health considerations for COVID-19 vaccination roll-out during 2023 [04-05-2023]
- Interim analysis of COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness against severe acute respiratory infection due to laboratory-confirmed SARS-CoV-2 among individuals aged 30 years and older, ECDC multi-country study – third update [modified 03-16-2023]
- Overview of the implementation of COVID-19 vaccination strategies and vaccine deployment plans in the EU/EEA [updated 03-03-2023]

Australia

- COVID-19 booster vaccine advice [updated 04-05-2023]
- Clinical recommendations for COVID-19 vaccines [updated 03-21-2023]
- ATAGI clinical guidance for COVID-19 vaccine providers [updated 02-17-2023]

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Vaccinations - Adverse Effects

Canada (Federal)

- Reporting ocular adverse events following COVID-19 vaccination: Communiqué to healthcare professionals (May 30, 2022) [05-30-2022]

Provinces and territories (other than Ontario)

- BC Guidance document on the management of inadvertent vaccine errors [11-04-2022]

CDC

- Reported adverse events [updated 07-13-2023]

WHO

- Guidance for clinical case management of thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome (TTS) following vaccination to prevent coronavirus disease (COVID-19) [03-31-2023]

UK

- Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccines adverse reactions [updated 03-08-2023]
- Myocarditis and pericarditis after COVID-19 vaccination [updated 01-09-2023]

Australia

- ATAGI clinical guidance on COVID-19 vaccine administration errors [updated 06-05-2023]

- COVID-19 vaccination – guidance on myocarditis and pericarditis after mRNA COVID-19 vaccines [11-09-2022]

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Ontario Ministry of Health

- Ontario case definition - coronavirus disease (COVID-19) [updated 05-00-2023]

PHAC

- National case definition: coronavirus disease (COVID-19) [updated 06-06-2023]

CDC

- Coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) 2023 case definition [reviewed 02-28-2023]

WHO

- WHO COVID-19 Case definition [updated 07-22-2022]
- A clinical case definition of post COVID-19 condition by a Delphi consensus, 6 October 2021 [10-06-2021]

ECDC

- Reinfection with SARS-CoV-2: implementation of a surveillance case definition within the EU/EEA [04-08-2021]

UK

- COVID-19: epidemiology, virology and clinical features [05-17-2022]

Australia

- COVID-19 disease, symptoms and variants [updated 12-09-2022]

Other

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Ontario Ministry of Health

- Management of cases and contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario (version 15.2) [06-09-2023]

PHAC

- Requirements for serological antibody tests submitted under the COVID-19 interim order: guidance [modified 02-22-2023]

CDC

- Interim guidelines for COVID-19 antibody testing: interim guidelines for COVID-19 antibody testing in clinical and public health settings [updated 12-16-2022]

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Miscellaneous Guidelines

PHAC

- COVID-19 and people with disabilities in Canada [updated 01-30-2023]
- Individual public health measures [updated 01-27-2023]

- Summary of evidence supporting COVID-19 public health measures [updated 01-27-2023]

CDC

- CDC Archive: Archived web material for CDC.gov is preserved on the CDC Archive Site. Note that the content on this site is for historical purposes only and is no longer being updated. The information here may be outdated and links may no longer function.

WHO

- Considerations in adjusting public health and social measures in the context of COVID-19: interim guidance [updated 03-30-2023]

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- COVID-19 data trends [modified 03-06-2023]
- National surveillance guidelines for coronavirus disease (COVID-19) [03-19-2021]

WHO

- Public health surveillance for COVID-19: interim guidance [07-22-2022]

CDC

- COVID-19 serology surveillance [03-11-2021]

ECDC

- Organisation of vector surveillance and control in Europe [12-13-2021]
- Surveillance of COVID-19 in long-term care facilities in the EU/EEA [11-29-2021]

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- SARS-CoV-2 variants: national definitions, classifications and public health actions [08-18-2022]

CDC

- What is genomic surveillance? [updated 12-02-2022]

UK

- Investigation of SARS-CoV-2 variants [updated 03-10-2023]
- SARS-CoV-2 variants of public health interest [updated 03-10-2023]

ECDC

- Methods for the detection and characterisation of SARS-CoV-2 variants – second update [08-02-2022]

Testing

Canada

- Interim guidance on the use of rapid antigen detection tests for the identification of SARS-CoV-2 infection [07-07-2022]

Ontario Ministry of Health

- Management of cases and contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario Version 15.2 [03-27-2023]
- COVID-19 provincial testing guidance. Version 15.3 [01-25-2023]

Canadian provinces and territories (other than Ontario)

- BC COVID-19: viral testing guidelines for British Columbia [09-28-2022]

WHO

- Use of SARS-CoV-2 antigen-detection rapid diagnostic tests for COVID-19 self-testing [03-09-2022]

CDC

- Guidance for healthcare workers about COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) testing [updated 12-20-2022]
- Using antibody tests for COVID-19 [updated 12-16-2022]

UK

- Investigation of SARS-CoV-2 variants: technical briefings [updated 02-10-2023]
- SARS-CoV-2 variants of public health interest [updated 02-10-2023]

ECDC

- Methods for the detection and identification of SARS-CoV-2 variants- first update [08-02-2022]

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Canada

- COVID-19 signs, symptoms and severity of disease: a clinician guide [06-01-2022]

Ontario Ministry of Health

Management of cases and and contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario version 15.2 [updated 03-27-2023]

BC

- Clinical practice guide for the use of therapeutics in mild-moderate COVID-19 [updated 01-10-2023]

WHO

- WHO living guideline: drugs to prevent COVID-19 [updated 03-24-2023]
- Clinical care of severe acute respiratory infections – tool kit: COVID-19 adaptation, update 2022 [04-06-2022]
- Living guidance for clinical management of COVID-19 [11-23-2021]

CDC

- Underlying medical conditions associated with higher risk for severe COVID-19: information for healthcare providers [updated 02-09-2023]
- Clinical care information for COVID-19 [updated 01-30-2023]
- Clinical considerations for care of children and adults with confirmed COVID-19 [updated 01-27-2023]
- Post-COVID Conditions: Information for Healthcare Providers [updated 12-16-2022]
- Clinical considerations for care of children and adults with confirmed COVID-19 [updated 01-27-2023]
- Care for breastfeeding people: interim guidance on breastfeeding and breast milk feeds in the context of covid-19 [02-25-2022]

US NIH

- COVID-19 treatment guidelines [updated 03-06-2023]

UK

- Find help and support if you have long COVID [updated 03-29-2023]

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Canada

- COVID-19 signs, symptoms and severity of disease: COVID-19 symptoms in children [06-22-2022]

WHO

- A clinical case definition for post COVID-19 condition in children and adolescents by expert consensus [02-16-2023]

CDC

- Information for Pediatric Healthcare Providers [02-10-2023]

Other

- American Academcy of Pediatrics What is the case definition of multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) interim guidance [02-08-2023]

Post-COVID-19 Condition

Canada

- Post COVID-19 condition (long COVID) [modified 03-09-2023]

Ontario

- Ontario Health Post COVID-19 condition: guidance for primary care [12-00-2022]

WHO

- Post COVID-19 condition [12-16-2021]

CDC

- Post-COVID conditions; CDC Science [updated 03-31-2023]

UK

- Long-term effects of coronavirus (long COVID) [reviewed 03-21-2023]

Case Investigation & Contact Tracing

Canada

- Public health management of cases and contacts associated with COVID-19 [01-30-2023]

Ontario

- Management of cases and contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario (version 15.2) [03-27-2022]

CDC

- Isolation and precautions for people with COVID-19 [03-21-2023]

UK

- COVID-19 rapid guideline: managing COVID-19 NICE guideline [NG191] [03-29-2023]

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Infection Prevention and Control

PHAC / Health Canada

- At home: using ventilation and filtration to reduce the risk of aerosol transmission of COVID-19 [01-27-2023]

- Coronavirus disease (COVID-19): prevention and risks [01-27-2023]
- COVID-19 mask use: advice for community settings [01-30-2023]

Ontario

- COVID-19 guidance: personal protective equipment (PPE) for health care workers and health care entities version 1.0 [06-10-2022]

Canadian provinces and territories (other than Ontario)

WHO

- Infection prevention and control in the context of coronavirus disease (COVID-19): a living guideline, 13 January 2023 [01-13-2023]

ECDC

- Considerations for infection prevention and control practices in relation to respiratory viral infections in healthcare settings [02-06-2023]

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Healthcare Providers

Ontario Ministry of Health

- Management of cases and and contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario version 15.2 [03-27-2023]
- COVID-19 guidance: acute care v.9 [01-11-2023]
- COVID-19 guidance: personal protective equipment (PPE) for health care workers and health care entities version 1.0 [06-10-2022]

UK

- COVID-19: managing healthcare staff with symptoms of a respiratory infection [03-31-2023]

ECDC

- Considerations for infection prevention and control practices in relation to respiratory viral infections in healthcare settings [02-06-2023]
- Living safely with respiratory infections, including COVID-19: when to consider wearing a face covering or a face mask [06-16-2022]

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Congregate Living (including Long-Term Care, Prisons, and Shelters)

Ontario Ministry of Health

- COVID-19 guidance document for long-term care homes in Ontario [04-03-2023]
- COVID-19 guidance: long-term care homes and retirement homes for public health units Version 10 [03-31-2023]

PHAC

- Infection prevention and control for COVID-19: interim guidance for long term care homes [01-25-2022]

CDC

- Guidance on prevention and management of COVID-19 in correctional and detention facilities [11-29-2022]

- Guidance on management of COVID-19 in homeless service sites and in correctional and detention facilities [11-29-2022]

UK

- Acute respiratory illness, including flu and COVID-19 in prisons [04-06-2023]
- Infection prevention and contgrol in adult social care: COVID-19 supplement [04-06-2023]
- COVID-19: outbreaks in prisons, refuges and other higher-risk accommodation settings [04-04-2023]

Other

- CSC Testing of inmates in federal correctional institutions for COVID-19 [04-12-2023]

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Appendix III: Guidelines for the Community [ARCHIVED]

Travel, Transport & Borders

Ontario Ministry of Health

- Travelling during COVID-19 [01-27-2023]

Canada

- Travel advide and advisories by destination [updated often]
- COVID-19: travel, testing and borders [04-03-2023]

CDC

- COVID-19 travel recommendations by destination [updated regularly]
- Stay up to date with your COVID-19 vaccines including Boosters [04-06-2023]

UK

- COVID-19: guidance for people whose immune system means they are at higher risk [03-14-2023]

Schools / Childcare

Ontario Ministry of Health

- Management of cases and contacts of COVID-19 in Ontario version 15.2 [03-27-2023]
- COVID-19: health and safety measures for child care [08-17-2022]
- COVID-19: health and safety measures at schools [08-15-2022]

PHAC

- Evaluating COVID-19 disease transmission and public health measures in schools: outbreak investigation guidance [07-22-2022]

CDC

- Operational Guidance for K-12 Schools and Early Care and Education Programs to Support Safe In-Person Learning [10-05-2022]
- Schools, child care, and colleges [10-25-2022]

UK

- Emergency planning and response for education, childcare, and children's social care settings [10-28-2022]

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Mental Health/Substance Use Health

Ontario Ministry of Health

- COVID-19 guidance: mental health and addictions service providers in community settings: version 2 [09-24-2020]

PHAC

- Helping people who use substances [10-01-2022]

Provinces & Territories (excluding Ontario)

- QC The roles of public health in population mental health and wellness promotion [10-03-2022]
- BC COVID-19: harm reduction and overdose response [01-07-2022]
- QC Housing and social inequalities in health in times of COVID-19: strategies for promoting affordable quality housing [04-05-2022]
- QC Preventing violence and suicide within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic: courses of action [04-05-2022]
- QC Preventing loneliness in young adults in the context of a pandemic [04-05-2022]
- BC Impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the health and wellbeing of young adults in British Columbia [07-00-2021]
- QC Public health ethics and COVID-19: selected resources [11-00-2021]

WHO

- Mental health and COVID-19: early evidence of the pandemic's impact: scientific brief, 2 March 2022 [03-02-2022]

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Community/Workplaces

Ontario Ministry of Health

- Protection from COVID-19 and other respiratory illnesses [04-12-2023]
- COVID-19 and workplace health and safety [03-09-2023]
- COVID-19 and your employment standards protections [06-26-2022]
- Outbreak guidance: workplace and living settings for seasonal international agriculture workers (IAWs) [09-08-2022]

PHAC

- Summary of evidence supporting COVID-19 public health measures [01-27-2023]
- Community based public health measures [01-27-2023]
- How businesses and employees can stay safe while operating during COVID-19 [01-27-2023]
- Accessing public health support for First Nations communities [08-05-2022]
- COVID-19 and people with disabilities in Canada [01-30-2023]
- COVID-19 mask use: advice for community settings [01-30-2023]

WHO

- The generic all-hazards risk assessment and planning tool for mass gathering events [01-12-2023]

CDC

- Specific settings [12-07-2022]

UK

- Infection prevention and control in adult social care: COVID-19 supplement [04-04-2023]
- Living safely with respiratory infections, including COVID-19 [06-16-2022]

Other

- CCOHS daycares [07-14-2022]

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