

Title: Release of OHT-PHU COVID-19 Vaccine Resource Document

Dear OHTs,

Recently, a communication from the Ontario Chief Medical Officer of Health and Ministry of Health (ministry) leads (email subject line: '*Call to Action on Omicron Vaccination Plans*') was issued to Public Health Units (PHUs) and health system partners, including hospitals and primary care. The communication requested that all health system partners contribute to vaccine efforts.

Aligned with vaccination as a system priority, on October 1, 2021 the ministry and Ontario Health issued a memorandum to Ontario Health Teams (OHTs) and PHUs requesting that approved OHTs and PHUs, along with their Ontario Health Regions, work together to prioritize collaborative deployment of hosted vaccine events.

Vaccinations remain the best way to protect Ontarians and our provincial health care system, and the October 1 request for OHTs to prioritize vaccination efforts remains in effect.

In follow up to this memorandum and the subsequent information session held on October 7, 2021, please find attached the '*OHT-PHU COVID-19 Vaccine Planning and Implementation Casebook: Notes from the Field*'.

The intended audience for this resource document is OHTs and PHUs. The purpose is to share real-life OHT vaccine case examples and lessons learned with the broader OHT community and to promote understanding of the value-add that OHTs offer in vaccine efforts.

The document also includes links to a curated set of resources and tools and a consolidated set of financial reimbursement instructions for COVID vaccine related activities.

We are grateful to all OHTs for their thoughtful quarterly report submissions which helped to populate this document, as well as to the teams that volunteered to provide input and advice in the document development.

The ministry continues to uphold the principle of flexibility with respect to OHT implementation. If your OHT has concerns or questions regarding your Implementation Supports Funding Transfer Payment Agreement or this resource document, please do not hesitate to reach out to your ministry point of contact. Your Ontario Health Local Support Coordinators are also available to support your teams. They are copied on this communication and their contact information is below.

We recognize that teams are fatigued and eager to wholly focus their efforts on advancing their plans for integrated, population-health focused care for their communities. The ministry and Ontario Health are fully committed to the success of OHTs over the long term and will continue to support teams towards the achievement of better coordinated, more integrated care for their populations now and into the post-pandemic future.

If you are unable to access the document, please contact ontariohealthteams@ontario.ca or reach out to your ministry point of contact.

Regards,

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