



MEDIA RELEASE

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Hamilton Public Health welcomes 5 to 11-year-olds to receive the COVID-19 vaccine

HAMILTON, ON – Beginning Tuesday, November 23, 2021 at 8 a.m. children in Hamilton **ages 5 (born 2016) to 11 years of age** are eligible to book an appointment to receive a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.

Hamilton Public Health Services is prepared to vaccinate the 42,000 children eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine **beginning on Thursday, November 25, 2021**. The plan to vaccinate children ages 5 to 11 years old was created by Hamilton Public Health Services in consultation with local child care specialists and partners.

Family-friendly clinics

There are many convenient ways children can receive a COVID-19 vaccine in Hamilton including fixed-site clinics at LimeRidge Mall and the Centre on Barton, mobile pop-up vaccine clinics, pharmacy clinics, family and youth-friendly clinics, and community-based and led mobile vaccination clinics for specific populations. Hamilton’s vaccine strategy for young people is comprehensive to ensure all children 5 to 11 years of age who want a vaccine, can do so in a location that can meet their needs. The vaccine strategy was built in consultation with McMaster Children’s Hospital, local child life specialists and community partners. Appointments can be booked at www.hamilton.ca/GetYourVaccine.

COVID-19 fixed-site vaccine clinics available for children ages 5 to 11 years old <i>Booked appointments only</i>	
Mountain Vaccine Clinic - LimeRidge Mall 999 Upper Wentworth St., Hamilton, L9A 4X5	Centre on Barton 1211 Barton St E, Hamilton, ON L8H 2V4
David Braley Health Sciences Centre 100 Main St. W, Hamilton, L8P 1H6	

COVID-19 mobile vaccine clinics available ONLY for children ages 5 to 11 years old <i>Booked appointments only</i>	
Bennetto Recreation Centre 450 Hughson St N, Hamilton, L8L 4N5 November 25, December 2 & 9, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm	Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre 876 Cannon St E, Hamilton, L8L 0C6 November 26 & December 3, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm

Stoney Creek Recreation Centre 45 King St W, Stoney Creek, L8G 1H7 November 27, December 4 & 11, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm	Mountain Public Health Clinic 891 Upper James St, Hamilton, L8E 2X3 November 28, December 5 & 12, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm
Hamilton Public Library – Waterdown 163 Dundas St E, Waterdown, L8N 2S7 November 29 & December 6, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm	Norman Pinky Lewis Recreation Centre 192 Wentworth St N, Hamilton, L8L 5V7 November 30, December 7 & 10, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm
Huntington Park Recreation Centre 87 Brentwood Dr, Hamilton, L8T 3W4 December 1 & 8, 2021 10am to 12pm & 1 to 3pm	

De dwa da dehs nye>s Aboriginal Health Centre (DAHC), Niwasa Kendaaswin Teg and the Hamilton Regional Indian Centre (HRIC) are hosting Indigenous COVID-19 vaccine clinics for first, second, third and booster doses for Indigenous population and non-Indigenous household members. These clinics are available to Indigenous populations ages 5+ by booked appointments only. Appointments can be booked at aboriginalhealthcentre.com/covid19info.

Indigenous COVID-19 vaccine clinics available for children ages 5 to 11 years old Booked appointments only
Biindigen Hub (Former St. Helen’s School) 785 Britannia Ave., Hamilton, ON L8H 2B6 November 25, December 2, 3, 10 & 17, 2021 at 3 to 7pm November 27, December 4, 11 & 18, 2021 at 10am to 3pm

In-school COVID-19 vaccine clinics are available to HWCDSB and HWDSB students, families and staff in each school community, plus eligible students from elementary feeder schools. Individuals born in 2009 and earlier who are eligible to receive a first or second dose of a COVID-19 vaccine can **walk-in** to any of the below clinics. Individuals **ages 5 to 11 years of age require a booked appointment**. Appointments can be booked at www.hamilton.ca/GetYourVaccine.

In-school COVID-19 vaccine clinics Walk-in (ages 12+) & Booked appointments only (5 to 11 years old)	
Sir Allan MacNab Secondary School 145 Magnolia Dr. Hamilton, L9C 5P4 November 30, 2021 1 to 3pm (ages 12+) 5 to 7pm (ages 5 to 11 years old)	Sir Winston Churchill Secondary School 1715 Main St. E. Hamilton, L8G 1E3 December 7, 2021 1 to 3pm (ages 12+) 5 to 7pm (ages 5 to 11 years old)
Bernie Custis Secondary School 1055 King St E. Hamilton L8M 1E2 December 14, 2021 1 to 3pm (ages 12+) 5 to 7pm (ages 5 to 11 years old)	

Booking a vaccination appointment. Children ages **5 to 11 years of age** require a **booked appointment** for their first dose of vaccination. Learn about available locations, hours of operation and how to book at www.hamilton.ca/GetYourVaccine.

More information and answers to frequently asked questions regarding child COVID-19 vaccination can be found at www.hamilton.ca/ChildVaccine.

Information regarding walk-in options for individuals ages 12+, booking an appointment for third or booster doses, eligibility and frequently asked questions are available at hamilton.ca/GetYourVaccine.

Public Health Services recommends that everyone receive a vaccine when eligible to do so. We need to work together to reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community, to reserve healthcare and hospital capacity and to protect vulnerable populations.

QUICK FACTS

- The Hamilton healthcare partners continue to make progress in vaccinating eligible community members. To date, 881,468 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine have been administered – with 86 per cent of eligible Hamiltonians receiving a vaccine to date and 82.9 per cent fully vaccinated.
- Since January 2021, Hamilton healthcare partners have hosted over 715 mobile pop-up clinic days and over 380 on-site mobile clinics. This includes 62 secondary school COVID-19 vaccine clinics hosted at 22 locations since August 12, 2021.
- The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is currently the only COVID-19 vaccine that has been authorized by Health Canada for use in individuals aged 5 and over
- Vaccine administration rates may differ based on local context.
- All vaccination planning is based on and contingent on available COVID-19 vaccine supply.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- www.hamilton.ca/COVIDvaccines
- www.hamilton.ca/coronavirus
- <https://kidshealthfirst.ca/>
- Public Health Services' COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline: 905-974-9848, option 7 or phscovidvaccine@hamilton.ca
- Public Health Services' COVID-19 Hotline: 905-974-9848 or phscovid19@hamilton.ca

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