







Ontario's Vaccine Distribution Implementation Plan

BACKGROUND

- On **December 7, 2020**, the province announced the **key populations** that will be first to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, namely:
 - **Residents, employees and staff**, and **essential caregivers** of congregate living settings that provide care for seniors
 - **Health care workers** (including all those who work in health care settings and those in direct contact with patients)
 - **Adults in First Nations, Métis, and Inuit populations** where infection can have disproportionate consequences, including those living in remote or isolated areas
 - **Adult recipients** of chronic home health care
- On December 9, 2020, **Health Canada granted authorization** with conditions for the use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine in individuals 16 years of age and older, after an independent and thorough scientific review for safety, effectiveness and quality.
- Health Canada will continue to monitor the safety and efficacy of the vaccine.
- The province has committed to distributing COVID-19 vaccines to priority populations in the **highest risk areas** as soon as shipments are received from federal government suppliers, expected in the coming days.

ONTARIO'S COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM

PHASES

	VACCINE QUANTITY	POPULATION TO BE VACCINATED	DISTRIBUTION SITES
 	<p>Initial doses will vaccinate over 2,500 people, with additional shipments arriving over the coming weeks</p> <p>90,000 doses of Pfizer-BioNTech and estimated 35,000-85,000 doses of Moderna vaccines (pending approval) are expected in the coming weeks</p> <p>An estimated total of over 2M doses is expected in this phase</p>	<p>Residents, essential caregivers, and staff of congregate care settings for seniors</p> <p>Health care workers</p> <p>Adults in First Nations, Métis, and Inuit populations</p> <p>Adult recipients of chronic home health care</p>	<p>Initially, two pilot sites, followed by selected hospital sites in Grey-Lockdown and Red-Control zones, expanding to approximately 21 hospitals across the province</p> <p>LTC Homes and Retirement Homes as soon as feasible.</p>
 	<p>Increasing stock of vaccines available.</p>	<p>Expanded for health care workers, long-term care homes, retirement homes, home care patients with chronic conditions and additional First Nation communities and urban Indigenous populations, including Métis and Inuit adults.</p>	<p>Expanded vaccination sites</p>
 	<p>Vaccines available for every Ontarian who wants to be immunized.</p>	<p>All eligible Ontarians</p>	<p>Widely available across Ontario</p>

DISTRIBUTION, LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION

Phased Distribution Plan

Phase 1 - key milestones

- **Pilot – week of December 14, 2020:**
 - Pfizer-BioNTech doses to vaccinate **over 2,500** health care workers
 - **Two** pilot hospital sites, **University Health Network** and **The Ottawa Hospital**
 - **Recipients:** health care workers from long-term care, hospitals

- **Additional Pfizer-BioNTech doses expected**
 - Expected to receive **90,000 doses** in December 2020 – January 2021
 - **14** selected hospital sites in Grey-Lockdown and Red-Control zones
 - **Recipients:** health care workers in long-term care homes, retirement homes, hospitals, additional congregate settings caring for seniors

DISTRIBUTION, LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION (cont'd)

- **Moderna vaccine doses expected** (pending Health Canada approval):
 - Expected to receive **35,000 – 85,000** doses in December-January (planning estimates)
 - **Expanded vaccinations** to long-term care homes in Grey-Lockdown areas
 - **Recipients:** residents in long-term care homes, retirement homes, hospitals, additional congregate settings caring for seniors
- **Early 2021:**
 - **Expansion of up to 21** hospital sites providing the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine
 - **Recipients:** health care workers, and once forward movement authorized by Pfizer, long-term care home and retirement home residents
 - **Expansion of the number of locations** to administer the Moderna vaccine
 - **Recipients:** long-term care homes, retirement homes, public health units, other congregate care settings, remote Indigenous communities