

## ADVISORY: RSV Prophylaxis Program & Spring COVID-19 Vaccines

April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### Key Information

- The 2024-25 infant & high-risk children RSV program has ended for the season, and will resume in the fall
- The 2024-25 high-risk older adult RSV program will continue into the spring
  - Vaccines are available to [order](#) from PPH
- Additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine recommended for individuals at increased risk of SARS-CoV-2 infection

### Infant & High-Risk Children RSV Prevention Program

The 2024-25 infant and high-risk children RSV prevention program has ended. Doses of Beyfortus and Abrysvo should no longer be ordered or administered to infants, children, or pregnant individuals. To ensure protection through respiratory season, it is recommended that children receive their dose of Beyfortus in the fall, as the immunization offers six months of protection. All remaining, non-expired inventory is to be stored under appropriate cold chain for use next season, in the provider's office.

### High-Risk Older Adult RSV Vaccine Program

The 2024-25 high-risk older adult RSV program will continue into the spring. Vaccines for [eligible individuals](#) are available to [order](#) from PPH. More information on the RSV program can be found at [www.ontario.ca/page/respiratory-syncytial-virus-rsv-prevention-programs](http://www.ontario.ca/page/respiratory-syncytial-virus-rsv-prevention-programs).

### COVID-19 Vaccine Spring Campaign

With spring upon us, an [additional dose](#) of COVID-19 vaccine is now being recommended for previously vaccinated individuals who have completed their primary series and are at an increased risk of SARS-CoV-2 infection, including:

- Adults 65 years of age & older, as per NACI:
  - 80+ years *should* receive an additional dose
  - 65-79 years *may* receive an additional dose
- Adult residents of long-term care homes and other congregate living settings for seniors
- Anyone aged 6 months or older, who is moderately to severely immunocompromised\* (due to underlying condition or treatment)
- Individuals 55+ years who identify as First Nations, Inuit, or Métis, and their non-Indigenous household members who are 55 years or older

Health care providers not offering COVID-19 vaccines can refer their eligible patients to local pharmacies to receive their Spring dose. Eligible children under age 5 who may not be able to access a COVID-19 vaccine at a pharmacy can book at appointment at PPH, by calling 705-743-1000 ext. 331.

\*For additional guidance on the COVID-19 vaccine, including criteria for patients who are moderately to severely immunocompromised, see the [Health Care Provider Fact Sheet: 2024/2025 COVID-19 Vaccine Program Update](#).

*For questions about the COVID-19 or RSV immunization program updates, please call  
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