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'High Priority' Health Care Workers now eligible for COVID-19 vaccine

Who is eligible?

High Priority health care workers, as defined in the Ministry of Health's [Guidance for Prioritizing Health Care Workers for COVID-19 Vaccination](#), are now eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Such health care workers, including custodial, security and reception staff, may receive the COVID-19 vaccine at the Halton Healthcare Vaccination Centre at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

To be eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, health care workers must:

- **work at one of the settings listed below AND**
- **work or live in Halton Region AND**
- **provide direct, in-person care to patients at least once a week.**

If you are working remotely full-time, please do not book an appointment at this time. As vaccine supply increases, eligibility will be expanded.

High Priority Health Care Workers:

- 1) Health care workers in community care with lower risk of exposure and serving special populations:
 - Developmental services
 - Mental health services
 - Addictions services
- 2) Health care workers in community care with lower risk of exposure and serving general populations:
 - Campus health
 - Community diagnostic imaging
 - Daycare/school nursing
 - Dietary/nutrition
 - Independent health facilities (e.g., opticians/optometry, podiatry, audiology, medical and surgical specialties)
 - Naturopathy/holistic care
 - Social work
 - Sexual health clinics
- 3) Health care workers in non-acute rehabilitation and therapy:
 - Chiropractic
 - Chronic pain clinics
 - Kinesiology
 - Occupational therapy
 - Physiotherapy
 - Psychiatry
 - Psychology
 - Psychotherapy
 - Registered massage therapy

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- Acupuncture
- Other therapy.

4) Public health (all public health who have client-facing contact at least one day a week)

Please note that health care workers defined as Highest Priority and Very High Priority in [Guidance for Prioritizing Health Care Workers for COVID-19 Vaccination](#) remain eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine.

How to book an appointment

- If you are eligible, please [book online](#) or call 311 to book your appointment.
- You will be asked to attest to your eligibility as a health care worker.
- Halton Healthcare will provide details of where to go and what to expect when you arrive.
- Your vaccine appointment will occur at the Halton COVID-19 Vaccination Centre at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital, located at 3001 Hospital Gate, Oakville, ON L6M 0L8.

Please bring to your appointment:

- Ontario Health card

For additional information about the COVID-19 vaccine, please see the attached fact sheet or visit halton.ca/COVIDvaccines.

Thank you for your exceptional work during the pandemic and for your participation in this vaccine campaign.

Sincerely,

Halton Region Public Health

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