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Halton Healthcare announces Vaccination Centre at OTMH

Today the Government of Ontario announced additional hospital delivery sites for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. Halton Healthcare has been selected as one of the sites and plans are underway to establish a COVID-19 vaccination centre at Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital (OTMH) for the region of Halton.

“We are committed to supporting the Ministry of Health as they execute the largest immunization rollout in a generation,” said Denise Hardenne, President and CEO, Halton Healthcare. “We are working closely with the provincial government, Halton Region Public Health and our local healthcare partners to operationalize the centre in a safe and secure manner.”

Due to the current limited supply, the province is focused on getting vaccines to the most vulnerable populations. Halton Healthcare is working with Halton Region Public Health to prioritize the use of the vaccine for health care workers and essential caregivers in long-term care homes in our region as well as those working in high risk retirement homes (ie. memory care provision).

“We thank all our staff and physicians at Halton Healthcare for their dedication and their tremendous efforts in the fight against COVID-19,” concluded Ms. Hardenne. “We will provide updates with more information as it is available and we appreciate everyone’s patience and continued support.”

“While this is a new light at the end of the tunnel, we cannot let our guards down, said Halton Region Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Hamidah Meghani. “No matter where you live, please continue to stay home as much possible, only go out for essential reasons and do not gather with anyone who does not live with you – indoors or outdoors. These are early days for this vaccine, and we have a long road ahead to achieving herd immunity and understanding how it protects others. Thank you to everyone for continuing to follow public health direction and supporting one another.”

Additional information on the COVID-19 vaccine is available on the [Halton Region website](#).

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