

**HALTON REGION PUBLIC HEALTH • Office of the Medical Officer of Health**

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TO: Halton Physicians, Nurse Practitioners, Emergency Departments, other Healthcare Providers

FROM: Dr. Joanna Oda, Associate Medical Officer of Health

DATE: November 27, 2023

RE: Vaccine Ordering Deadlines for Holiday Closure, 2024 Vaccine Distribution Schedule and North Halton Vaccine Distribution Changes

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**QUICK FACTS**

- Halton Region’s administrative offices will be **closed** for the holidays starting Monday, December 25, 2023. Offices will re-open on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.
- Vaccine distribution will be **unavailable** during the holiday closure.
- Refer to the order cut off dates and distribution schedule below to ensure your facility receives vaccines prior to the holiday closure.
- The Vaccine Distribution Schedule for January 2024 – March 2024 has been finalized.
- Starting January 30, 2024, two important changes are being made to the North Halton Vaccine Distribution schedule:
  - Vaccine deliveries to Halton Hills offices are moving from Wednesdays to Tuesdays. Milton offices will continue to receive vaccine deliveries on Tuesdays.
  - Milton and Halton Hills offices will be able to pick up their vaccine orders in Georgetown on Tuesdays at Health@280, located at 280 Guelph St. Unit 76. Milton and Halton Hills offices will still be able to pick-up vaccine orders in Oakville, on Wednesdays.

**KEY MESSAGES FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS**

**Holiday Vaccine Ordering Deadlines for South Halton**

Order Deadline	Burlington Delivery Date	Oakville Delivery Date	Pick-Up Dates
Wed. Dec. 6, 2023	Tues. Dec. 12, 2023	Wed. Dec. 13, 2023	Dec. 12/13, 2023
Wed. Dec. 20, 2023	Tues. Jan. 9, 2024	Wed. Jan. 10, 2024	Jan. 9/10, 2024

**Holiday Vaccine Ordering Deadlines for North Halton**

Order Deadline	Milton Delivery Date	Halton Hills Delivery Date	Pick-Up Dates
Wed. Dec. 13, 2023	Tues. Dec. 19, 2023	Wed. Dec. 20, 2023	Dec. 19/20, 2023
Wed. Jan. 10, 2024	Tues. Jan. 16, 2024	Wed. Jan 17, 2024	Jan 16/17, 2024

- Please ensure you plan ahead and order enough vaccines to support your facility until the new year. Due to the rise in influenza and COVID-19 activity, please ensure your practice has adequate vaccines available to immunize all age groups.
- When picking up vaccines, you must ensure that you have all supplies required to maintain cold chain during transportation. This includes having a pre-conditioned cooler that is between +2.0°C and +8.0°C. Each cooler must also have a digital thermometer, ice packs and water blankets. Your vaccine order will not be released if you do not have all required cold chain equipment.

## **Changes to Vaccine Distribution for North Halton Offices (Milton and Halton Hills)**

### ***Deliveries***

- Starting January 30, 2024, vaccine deliveries for Halton Hills offices will be moving to Tuesdays. Vaccines will be delivered between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Please ensure a staff member is available to receive the vaccines during this time.

### ***Vaccine Pick-up***

- In response to concerns about the lack of vaccine pick-up options in North Halton, starting January 30, 2024, Milton and Halton Hills offices can pick up their vaccine orders in Georgetown every other Tuesday, from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm, during North Halton vaccine distribution weeks. Georgetown vaccine pick-ups will be offered at Health@280, located at 280 Guelph St. Unit 76, in the Georgetown Mall.
- Milton and Halton Hills offices will still be able to pick-up their vaccine order in Oakville, on Wednesdays, if that is their preference.
- Georgetown vaccine pick-ups will be offered on a pilot basis until the end of May 2024. Use of the service during the pilot phase will be assessed to determine the feasibility of this service on a longer-term basis.
- Vaccine distribution changes only apply to Milton and Halton Hills facilities. Burlington and Oakville facilities can continue to pick up vaccine orders at 1151 Bronte Road in Oakville on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during their vaccine distribution week. Vaccine deliveries will continue to be made to Burlington offices every other Tuesday and Oakville offices every other Wednesday.

## **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES**

- [Vaccine Information for Physicians](#), Halton Public Health
- [Vaccine Order Form](#), Halton Public Health
- [Vaccine Storage and Handling](#), Halton Public Health

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# January 2024 – March 2024

## Halton Region Public Health Vaccine Distribution Schedule

### North Halton Vaccine Distribution Schedule

#### North Halton – Delivery

ORDER BY	MILTON DELIVERY BETWEEN 9 A.M. – 4 P.M.	HALTON HILLS DELIVERY BETWEEN 9 A.M. – 4 P.M.
January 10, 2024	Tuesday, January 16, 2024	Wednesday, January 17, 2024
January 24, 2024	Tuesday January 30, 2024* * Starting January 30 <sup>th</sup> , vaccine deliveries to Halton Hills will be made on Tuesdays	
February 7, 2024	Tuesday February 13, 2024	
February 21, 2024	Tuesday Feb 27, 2024	
March 6, 2024	Tuesday March 12, 2024	
March 20, 2024	Tuesday March 26, 2024	

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## North Halton- Pick-Up

ORDER BY	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS
January 10, 2024	January 16, 2024 Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road <b>OAKVILLE</b> 9 – 11:30 A.M.	January 17, 2024 Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road <b>OAKVILLE</b> 9 – 1:30 P.M.
January 24, 2024	January 30, 2024 Health @280 280 Guelph St. Unit 76 <b>GEORGETOWN</b> 9 – 1:00 P.M	January 31, 2024 Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road <b>OAKVILLE</b> 9 – 1:30 P.M.
February 7, 2024	February 13, 2024 Health @280 280 Guelph St. Unit 76 <b>GEORGETOWN</b> 9 – 1:00 P.M	February 14, 2024 Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road <b>OAKVILLE</b> 9 – 1:30 P.M.
February 21, 2024	February 27, 2024 Health @280 280 Guelph St. Unit 76 <b>GEORGETOWN</b> 9 – 1:00 P.M	February 28, 2024 Halton Regional Centre 1151 Bronte Road <b>OAKVILLE</b> 9 – 1:30 P.M.
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# South Halton Vaccine Distribution Schedule

## South Halton - Delivery

<b>ORDER BY</b>	<b>BURLINGTON TUESDAY DELIVERY BETWEEN 9 A.M. – 4 P.M.</b>	<b>OAKVILLE WEDNESDAY DELIVERY BETWEEN 9 A.M. – 4 P.M.</b>
Dec 20, 2023	January 9, 2024	January 10, 2024
January 17, 2024	January 23, 2024	January 24, 2024
January 31, 2024	February 6, 2024	February 7, 2024
February 14, 2024	February 20, 2024	February 21, 2024
February 28, 2024	March 5, 2024	March 6, 2024
March 13, 2024	March 19, 2024	March 20, 2024
March 27, 2024	April 2, 2024	April 3, 2024

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January 17, 2024	January 23, 2024	January 24, 2024
January 31, 2024	February 6, 2024	February 7, 2024
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The next vaccine distribution schedule will be released by mid-March, 2024.

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