

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics Over the Holidays

NIPISSING & PARRY SOUND, ON – COVID-19 vaccine clinics will take place in North Bay and Parry Sound over the next two weeks. The bivalent COVID-19 vaccine will be available to all individuals eligible for a booster dose, which will include five to 11-year-olds as of Wednesday, Dec. 21. The flu shot will also be offered to a limited number of walk-ins.

Individuals do not need to be receiving a COVID-19 vaccine to get their flu shot, and it is safe to receive the flu shot and the COVID-19 vaccine at the same appointment.

Vaccine clinics for the remainder of 2022 are as follows:

North Bay

- Wednesday, Dec. 21 at Elks Lodge (325 Elks Ln., North Bay) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 28 at Elks Lodge from noon to 3 p.m.

Parry Sound

- Tuesday, Dec. 20 at Parry Sound Mall (70 Joseph St., Parry Sound) from noon to 4 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 29 at Parry Sound Mall from noon to 2 p.m.

Individuals are reminded to wear a face covering at clinics and, if possible, bring a health card or another form of identification.

Booster doses are recommended for most individuals six months (168 days) following their last COVID-19 vaccine or infection, with a minimum interval of three months (84 days). <u>Individuals who are at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19</u>, including individuals aged 65 and older, are recommended to receive a booster dose three months (84 days) after their last dose or COVID-19 infection. There is no current recommendation for individuals to receive an additional booster if they have already received any COVID-19 vaccine booster dose on or after September 1, 2022.

Booked appointments are preferred, as availability for walk-in appointments will be limited. Individuals can book an appointment for their COVID-19 vaccine online at <u>Ontario.ca/BookVaccine</u>, or by calling the Health

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Unit call centre at 1-844-478-1400. Private appointments can be made through participating pharmacies in the Parry Sound and Nipissing districts.

For the full schedule and more information, visit <u>myhealthunit.ca/GetVaccinated</u>.

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