

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

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COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics This Week

NIPISSING & PARRY SOUND, ON – COVID-19 vaccine clinics will take place in Nipissing and Parry Sound this week, with the flu shot offered to a limited number of walk-ins.

Individuals may walk in for a flu shot with or without also receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. It is safe to receive the flu shot at any point after receiving a COVID-19 vaccine, and vice versa.

COVID-19 vaccine clinics this week include:

North Bay

• Tuesday, Feb. 7 at Elks Lodge (325 Elks Ln., North Bay) from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Parry Sound

• Thursday, Feb. 9 at Parry Sound Mall (70 Joseph St., Parry Sound) from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Individuals are reminded to wear a face covering at clinics and, if possible, bring a health card or another form of identification. Booked appointments are preferred, as availability for walk-in appointments will be limited.

The bivalent COVID-19 vaccine will be offered as a booster dose to individuals aged five and older if a minimum of three months (84 days) have passed since their last dose or COVID-19 infection. It is particularly important that <u>Individuals who are at higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19</u>, including all individuals aged 65 and older, receive a booster dose as soon as they are eligible. At this time, no extra booster doses are recommended if one has been received since September 1, 2022.

Individuals can book an appointment for their COVID-19 vaccine online at <u>Ontario.ca/BookVaccine</u>, or by calling the Health Unit call centre at <u>1-844-478-1400</u>. Private appointments can be made through <u>participating pharmacies</u> in the Parry Sound and Nipissing districts.

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

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