

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Task Force

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This is my third report to you.

Our vaccine plan continues to rollout successfully. I know you are all as excited as I am to see the pictures of our long-term care employees and healthcare workers receiving the vaccine. We have surpassed the 9,300 “shots in arms” mark!

Nineteen sites have received deliveries of the vaccine this week – with more to come. I want to acknowledge all the hard work that is happening on the ground to get the clinics up and running – thank you to all of the folks involved in this extraordinary feat.

As we enter the holiday season, it is more important than ever to continue to follow public health measures to keep everyone safe and healthy. Avoid social gatherings, wear a mask when required, practice physical distancing, wash your hands frequently, and download the COVID Alert app.

I understand how difficult it is to continue to follow public health measures at this time – when we have been diligent for so long and you want to gather with family and friends. Even as vaccinations begin in Ontario, it is vital that we continue to persevere and follow the measures that have been set by public health officials including limiting personal contacts. Please have confidence that we can look forward to celebrating with loved ones again soon, as we reduce COVID-19 transmission and we achieve coverage of the vaccine across the province.

With kind regards,

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