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<p>Key Messages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paid vaccine and STI medication delivery schedule is now available from July to December 2024. ▪ The VISP provides financial support to individuals who experience a serious and permanent injury as a result of receiving a Health Canada authorized vaccine. Claimants have up to three years after date of vaccine or date of death to file claims. ▪ Ontario Health has updated their clinical recommendations for antiviral therapy for adults with mild to moderate COVID-19. ▪ Funding for nirmatrelvir/ritonavir (Paxlovid) has transitioned to typical models.
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July to December 2024 Paid Vaccine and STI Medication Delivery Schedule

Vaccine orders can be received in two ways:

- Pick-up through one of our locations:
 - Brampton - 10 Peel Centre Dr, Suite A – 101
 - Mississauga (Fairview) - 325 Central Parkway West, Unit 21
 - Mississauga - 7120 Hurontario Street
- Paid vaccine and STI medication delivery

The July 2024 to December 2024 paid delivery schedule is now available. Your staff need to be on-site between **9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.**, on your scheduled delivery date, to receive your vaccine and/or STI medication order(s).

NOTE: Orders need to be submitted five business days before the scheduled delivery date. Orders submitted after this date will be available for pickup instead.

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July	Thursday, July 4 Tuesday, July 16
August	Thursday, August 1 Tuesday, August 13
September	Thursday, September 5 Tuesday, September 17
October	Thursday, October 3 Tuesday, October 15
November	Thursday, November 7 Tuesday, November 19
December	Thursday, December 5 Tuesday, December 17
BRAMPTON	
July	Thursday, July 11 Tuesday, July 23
August	Thursday, August 8 Tuesday, August 20
September	Thursday, September 12 Tuesday, September 24
October	Thursday, October 10 Tuesday, October 22
November	Thursday, November 14 Tuesday, November 26
December	Thursday, December 12 Tuesday, December 19

Want to enroll in the paid vaccine and STI medication delivery program?

- Fax a completed registration form to (905) 565-9874
- Registration forms are available at:
<https://www.peelregion.ca/health/professionals/pdfs/CP-Account-Activation-Form.pdf>

For questions about vaccine ordering, pick-up or delivery, please contact the Vaccine Management Team at VMPIOOrderRequests@peelregion.ca.

Reminder: Vaccine Injury Support Program (VISP)

The Vaccine Injury Support Program (VISP) provides financial support to individuals who experience a serious and permanent injury as a result of receiving a Health Canada authorized vaccine (including COVID-19 vaccines) administered in Canada on or after December 8, 2020. VISP began accepting applications on June 1, 2021.

Claimants have up to three years, after the date of vaccination or date of death, to file claims. When a serious and permanent injury becomes apparent gradually, the time limit will be the day the injury first becomes apparent.

This is a reminder that the three-year mark is approaching for many vaccinations received during the height of the COVID-19 vaccination campaign.

Physicians can recommend patients suspected of having an injury as a result of receiving a Health Canada authorized vaccine to apply to the program. Physicians will be required to complete an initial medical assessment form for the patient. Physicians may also be required to provide medical records and updates on the status of an injured party's recovery.

For more information on the program, please visit www.vaccineinjurysupport.ca.

It is important to note that VISP is different from the Canadian Adverse Events Following Immunization Surveillance System (CAEFISS). Health Care providers have a duty to report any unwanted or unexpected health event, after the receipt of a vaccine, to their local public health unit.

The Ontario AEFI reporting form and more information is available at:

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/Health-Topics/Immunization/Vaccine-Safety>

Fax completed AEFI forms to Peel Public Health at 905-565-0426.

Updated Clinical Recommendations for Antiviral Therapy for Adults with Mild to Moderate COVID-19

Ontario Health's updated recommendations include:

- Updated guidance for when antiviral therapy is recommended and when it may be considered based on a healthcare provider's clinical judgment.
- An updated list of risk factors that are associated with more severe COVID-19 outcomes.
- Changes to the COVID-19 severity classification.
- An overview of the real-world evidence for antiviral therapies.

The full update and accompanying FAQ can be found here:

[Recommendations-for-Antiviral-Therapy-for-Adults-with-Mild-to-Moderate-COVID-19.pdf](https://www.ontariohealth.ca/sites/default/files/2024-05/Recommendations-for-Antiviral-Therapy-for-Adults-with-Mild-to-Moderate-COVID-19.pdf) (ontariohealth.ca);

[FAQs-on-Antiviral-Therapy-for-Adults-with-Mild-to-Moderate-COVID-19.pdf](https://www.ontariohealth.ca/sites/default/files/2024-05/FAQs-on-Antiviral-Therapy-for-Adults-with-Mild-to-Moderate-COVID-19.pdf) (ontariohealth.ca)

Paxlovid Funding Transitioning to Typical Models

The federal government procurement of nirmatrelvir/ritonavir (Paxlovid®) at no cost to patients has ended. Moving forward, Paxlovid® funding will be transitioned to typical models including select government drug benefit programs, private insurance, or payment directly by patients.