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A Message from the CAO & Lord Mayor Regarding COVID-19 Vaccinations in Niagara

- **February 2, 2021 -** We have received a number of emails and phone calls from Niagara-on-the-Lake residents, seeking information regarding the rollout of the COVID-19 vaccine in the Niagara Region.

This is a rapidly evolving situation, and we know information is changing often. That said, we want to assure residents that Niagara Health System and Regional Public Health are working with the Province, are proactively preparing, and are ready to utilize vaccine doses as they arrive in the Region.

Dr. Hirji, the Acting Medical Officer of Health and Commissioner for the Niagara Region, updates Regional Councillors every second Friday, at 2 p.m., about the pandemic, what is happening in the region, and plans for vaccinations. This Workshop Public Health COVID-19 Status Update is streamed live through video.

In an effort to help connect our residents and businesses to reputable sources for the most up-to-date information, the Town will be sharing reminders on our website and social media platforms whenever Dr. Hirji is slated to provide an update. We encourage those who are interested in this information to watch the video, either live or any time at your convenience. Dr. Hirji's next presentation is scheduled for February 5, 2021, at 2 p.m.

Regional Chair Jim Bradley has also struck a Community Coordination Task Force for COVID-19 Vaccination, to ensure secure, efficient and equitable delivery of the local COVID-19 immunization strategy. For more information about the task force, visit https://www.niagararegion.ca/health/covid-19/vaccination-task-force/default.aspx.

The Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake remains committed to keeping its residents safe and to supporting Niagara Health System and Niagara Public Health through the rollout of Provincial vaccination plans.

We encourage residents to stay up to date through reliable sources such as the ones provided below:

- Government of Canada COVID-19 Updates https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html
- Province of Ontario COVID-19 Updates https://covid-19.ontario.ca/
- Niagara Public Health COVID-19 Updates https://niagararegion.ca/health/covid-19/default.aspx
- Niagara Region COVID-19 Statistics https://www.niagararegion.ca/health/covid-19/statistics/statistics.aspx
- Niagara-on-the-Lake COVID-19 Updates https://notl.com/COVID-19
- Regional Council and Committee Meeting Livestream videos <u>https://www.niagararegion.ca/government/council/council-meetings.aspx</u>

Thank you for your continued cooperation, stay safe.

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