



NOTICE TO MEMBERS WHO WORK OR LIVE IN THE SIMCOE MUSKOKA DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT CATCHMENT AREA

COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment Information for Members

Dear Members,

You are receiving this email because you either work or live in the catchment area for the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit according to the information you have provided to the College. If this is not the case, please disregard this notice and take steps to correct the information provided.

Simcoe Muskoka District Health has asked the College to notify members who work or live in their district that you may be eligible to book your COVID-19 vaccine appointment.

Simcoe Muskoka District Health wishes to communicate the following:

We are pleased to share that effective today, **moderate priority health care workers (HCWs)** as per the [Ministry of Health's guidance on Health Care Worker Prioritization](#) are eligible to start registering on the [Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit \(SMDHU\) website](#) to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. This includes those who live (primary or secondary residence), work or routinely receive health care in Simcoe Muskoka.

Moderate priority health care workers are those who work in any health care sector or setting listed in the [Ministry of Health's Guidance on Health Care Worker Prioritization](#) (i.e. under Highest, Very High, or High priority HCWs), but who have not yet been eligible due to being in a non-frontline role (e.g., those working remotely, or who do not require PPE to work due to being in non-patient facing areas of health care facilities). This includes those in administrative roles in these sectors/settings.

Health care workers who belong to higher priority HCW groups, who have already been eligible, can continue to pre-register for vaccination on the SMDHU website at any time.

Once registered on the SMDHU website, people will be placed in the queue to receive the vaccine. This could take days or weeks to complete based on vaccine supply and volume. When an appointment is available, the person will be sent an email invitation with a booking code to book their appointment on the provincial booking system. Note that this does not happen immediately. People will be required to provide an email address for this service.

For more information about the rollout of COVID-19 vaccine in our area, please refer to the [SMDHU COVID-19 Vaccine and Immunization Webpages](#).

Additional Information

For more information on the province's three-phased vaccine distribution implementation plan, please visit [COVID-19 vaccines for Ontario](#).

There are a number of COVID-19 resources and documents available through our Health Professional Portal at www.smdhu.org/hpportal as well as through Public Health Ontario and the Government of Ontario.

If you wish to download a copy of your College Membership Card you may do so by:

1. Logging into your membership account: <https://members.cpo.on.ca/>
2. Go to the “My Account” on the left side menu
3. Click on the “Print Receipt/Membership Card”

Please direct any questions or requests for further information to the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit.

To review the College’s previous updates, please visit our [COVID-19 webpage](#).

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