

# COVID-19 Update

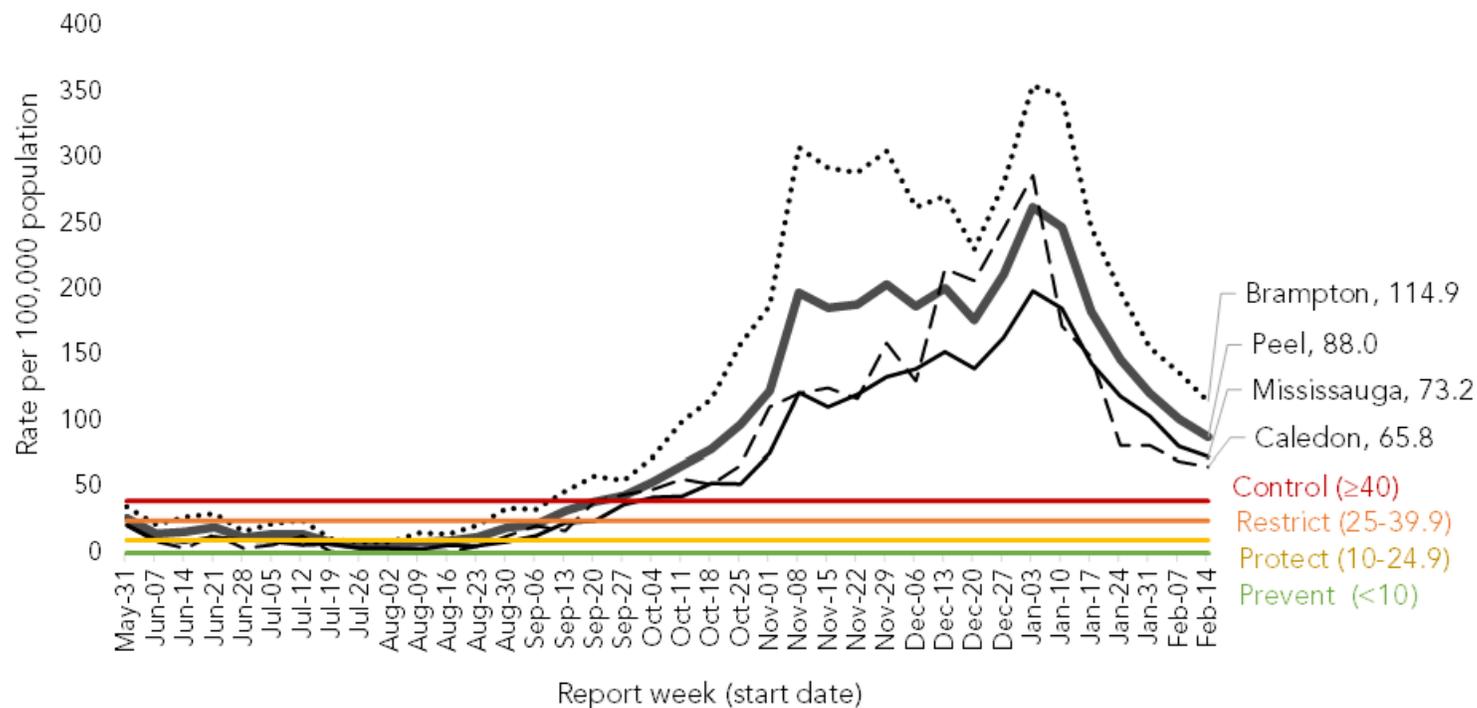
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# COVID-19 Reported Case Trend

- Cases have declined in recent weeks but remain elevated significantly above the Red – Control

**Figure 2.** Weekly COVID-19 incidence rates by Peel municipality: May 31, 2020 to February 20, 2021



Sources: (Case data) Ministry of Health, Case and Contact Management Solution, extracted by Peel Public Health on [23/Feb/2021], (2019 municipality population estimates) Population Estimates, 2019, Statistics Canada. Ministry of Health, (2020 Peel population projection) Population Projections, 2020, Statistics Canada. IntelliHEALTH Ontario, Ministry of Health.

# Variants of Concern (VOC)

- As of February 23, 2021, there have been 60 confirmed variant COVID-19 cases:
  - Lineage B.1.1.7: **53 cases**
  - Lineage B.1.351: **7 cases**
- An additional 384 cases are mutation screen positive (MSP), and are awaiting confirmation
- Similar to non-variant COVID-19 cases, there has been household clustering among confirmed-VOC and MSP cases

# Public Health Measures

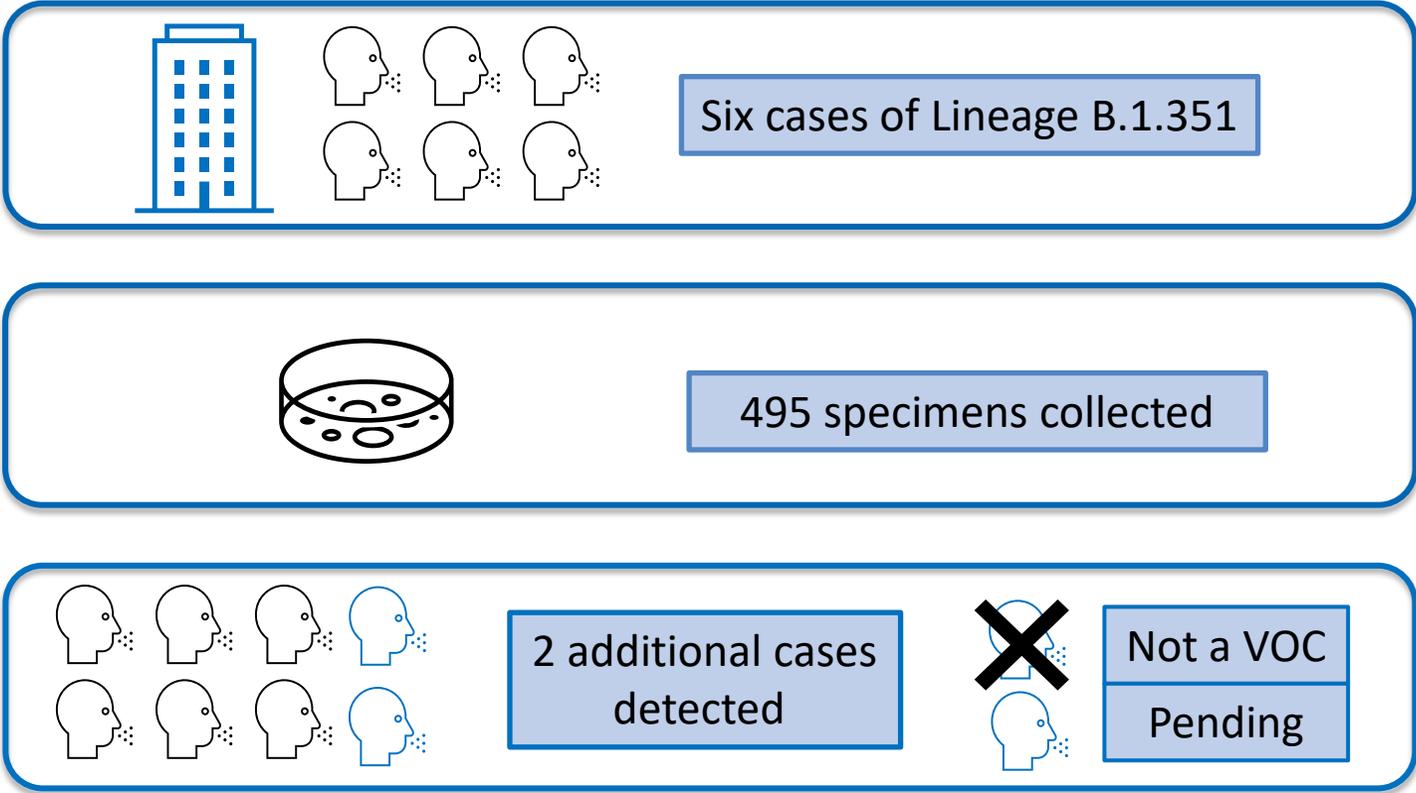
- Stay-at-Home order extended until at least March 8th, 2021.

- This extension allows time to:



- Monitor the impact of returning to in-person learning,
- Better understand the extent to which VOCs are circulating in Peel, and
- Continue to restore health system capacity.

# Multi-Unit Dwelling Cluster Investigation



- Residents were updated on February 17th
- **Next steps** consist of providing final results and general recommendations to building residents

# Community Mass Vaccination Plan

## Update



# Mass Vaccination System Capacity

Mass Vaccination Approaches:		
Fixed Clinics:	Clinic Ready Date	Planned Daily Dose Capacity
7120 Hurontario, Mississauga	February 11	990
10 Peel Centre Drive, Brampton	February 23	590
Brampton Soccer Centre, Brampton	March 1	7800
Paramount Field House, Mississauga	March 3	7800
Caledon East Community Complex, Caledon*	March 6	780
International Centre, Mississauga	March 10	3900
Chris Gibson Arena, Brampton	April 6	2930
THP UTM RAWC Clinic, Mississauga	March 1	2000
<b>Hospital Clinics</b>	Underway	2650
<b>Mobile Clinics</b>	Underway	970
<b>Drive-Thru</b>	Spring 2021	310
<b>Primary Care</b>		4000
<b>Pharmacy</b>		2500
<b>Converted Testing Centres</b>		1710

\* All sites planned for operating 7 days a week, except for Caledon East CC, which is closed on Fridays for COVID-19 testing

# Vaccine Prioritization

## OVERVIEW – Sequencing for Phase 1 Priority Groups

Sub-group	Examples of Sub-groups	Status
<b>Long-Term Care Homes &amp; High-risk Retirement Homes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Residents, staff and essential caregivers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substantially complete for residents</li> <li>In progress for staff and essential caregivers</li> </ul>
<b>Alternate Level of Care Patients</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospital patients with confirmed admission to long term care/retirement homes or other congregate care settings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In progress</li> </ul>
<b>Highest &amp; Very High Priority Health Care Workers (HCWs)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hospital and acute care staff, medical first responders (e.g. paramedics and fire)</li> <li>COVID-19 response teams (e.g. assessment and testing centres, immunization teams)</li> <li>Community health centres, adult day services, congregate settings, community physicians/specialists, dentists, pharmacists</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substantially complete for highest priority</li> <li>In progress for very high priority, anticipated to begin Mar. 1 week</li> </ul>
<b>Low-risk Retirement Homes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Residents, staff and essential caregivers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Substantially complete for residents</li> <li>In progress for staff and essential caregivers</li> </ul>
<b>Seniors 80+ and Seniors living in Congregate Settings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seniors 80+ living in the community and in congregate settings (e.g. TransHelp clients; residents in Peel Housing Corporation and other Social Housing)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not started, anticipated to begin Feb. 27 at the hospitals</li> </ul>
<b>High Priority HCWs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Other community-based providers (e.g. mental health and addictions, social work, sexual health, public health)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not started, anticipated to begin Mar. 8 week</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous Adults</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Individuals who are First Nations, Métis or Inuit, and/or those Registered or Treaty Indians and/or with membership in a First Nation or Indian band</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not started, planning and engagement underway to further understand needs</li> </ul>
<b>Adult Recipients of Chronic Home Care</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Individuals living in the community</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not started, anticipated to begin Mar. 15 week</li> </ul>

# Community Engagement

Vaccines don't save lives - Vaccinations do.

MODE OF ENGAGING	Communicating and Informing	Involving and Consulting	Participating
TABLES MOBILIZED	<p><b>2 Strategic Advisory Tables</b>   Community Planning Table   Community Equity and Engagement Advisory Table</p> <hr/> <p><b>8 Priority Population Tables (Currently Operating)</b>   Seniors Congregate Settings   Home Care and Assisted Living   Health Care Workers   Indigenous Communities   Community and Social Services Supports   Seniors and Older Adults   Institutional Settings   Shelters and Homelessness Supports</p> <hr/> <p><b>4 Additional Tables (Mobilizing Soon)</b>   Childcare and School Settings   Agriculture and Manufacturing Workplaces   Essential Service Providers   Adults and Children</p> <hr/> <p><b>2 System Capacity Planning Tables</b>   Primary Care Working Group   Pharmacy Working Group</p>		
KEY PRIORITIES	<p>Ongoing work focused on vaccine information and myth busting and expectation setting around vaccine rollout.</p> <p>Ongoing communications messaging on "The Core Four" and testing and isolation.</p>	<p>Seniors 80+ - identifying the barriers and supports needed for positive uptake by consulting with physicians, community agencies. (ex: transportation, accessibility needs, etc.).</p>	<p>Activation of the High Priority Communities Strategy through the hiring and deployment of 60 Community Ambassadors.</p> <p>Engaging with Indigenous leaders and community organizations in Peel to inform and lead vaccine rollout.</p>

# Council Updates

- Council COVID-19 Information Portal
  - Easy access to up-to-date information in one location
  - Updated twice a week or as needed on key topic areas
  - Will help facilitate information sharing with residents
  - Link to Region's Twitter feed and COVID-19 dashboard
  - Shareable content such as social media for your use
- Email from MOH to be used for urgent and embargoed information

