

The Honourable Doug Ford
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Dear Premier,

Thank you again for your continued partnership during this very challenging time. We are very proud of how the Peel community has risen to the challenge presented by COVID-19 to keep each other safe and we know we have more to do in the weeks and months ahead to keep our region safe and also support a responsible advancement of our economy.

As you know, we had some questions around the decision taken on October 9, 2020 that placed further restrictions on Peel. The trends over the last few days are concerning and we would welcome an opportunity to engage with you and your team on how you are viewing the situation and further clarity on the future scenarios, criteria used to decide how a community might be impacted.

In Peel while we see a worrisome trend we continue to see the largest drivers of our picture to date have been tied to exposures in households, workplaces, and private social gatherings of various sizes. For that reason we were grateful that the province implemented certain recommendations relevant to our community, notably around lower consistent social gathering limits across social settings, with a specific focus on reducing spread from events held in banquet halls and event venues.

In conversation with our hospital leadership, we understand that our hospitals remain busy but presently have the required capacity in our intensive care units and in acute care to accommodate a surge in cases if necessary. It has also been noted that COVID-19 related admissions continue to be significantly lower and less severe than during the first wave, though we are watching this very closely.

We are writing to request that prior to any further actions are taken either to increase, ease or maintain restrictions in Peel, we have an opportunity to dialogue with your government to jointly review our perspective, and also the local data and the patterns that we observe that are discussed between our Medical Officer of Health and your own provincial Chief Medical Officer of Health.

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In particular, we wish to discuss two potential scenarios and the conditions required to support them:

1. Additional restrictions if transmission is observed to increase materially and;
2. A change or hold on existing stage 2 modified restrictions, with a targeted approach to target any identified shifts in the nature of transmission observed.

Premier, we will continue to work with you as we strive to keep all Ontarians healthy and safe. Understanding the criteria behind these important decisions will help us and our constituents make informed decisions that balance disease control to protect health and safety with the ongoing operation of businesses that will support our economy and long-term health and wellbeing.

Kindest personal regards,



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