

Changing the Way We Work (COVID-19) Community of Practice for Ontario Family Physicians – January 19, 2024

COVID-19 Updates and Managing Respiratory Illness in Kids

**Resources are current as of January 19, 2024 – subject to change due to frequently updated guidance.*

Community of Practice past sessions and resources: <https://www.dfcu.utoronto.ca/covid-19-community-practice>

Resources shared on today's call:

COVID-19 Updates

Our World in Data: Coronavirus Pandemic (COVID-19) <https://ourworldindata.org/coronavirus>

COVID-19 Immunity Task Force Seroprevalence in Canada
<https://www.covid19immunitytaskforce.ca/seroprevalence-in-canada/>

Government of Canada: COVID-19 epidemiology update: Testing and variants
<https://health-infobase.canada.ca/covid-19/testing-variants.html>

Government of Canada: Summary of updates in the Canadian Immunization Guide as of Jun 27, 2023: Updated guidance on COVID-19 vaccines in Canada <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/healthy-living/canadian-immunization-guide-part-4-active-vaccines/page-26-covid-19-vaccine/summary-updates-june-27-2023.html>

Antimicrobial Stewardship Program: Management of COVID -19 in Adult Inpatients
<https://www.antimicrobialstewardship.com/covid-19>

COVID-19 Data and Surveillance <https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/Data-and-Analysis/Infectious-Disease/COVID-19-Data-Surveillance>

Managing Respiratory Illness in Kids

Canadian Pediatric Society: Acute management of croup in the emergency department
<https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/acute-management-of-croup>

Canadian Pediatric Society: Bronchiolitis: Recommendations for diagnosis, monitoring and management of children one to 24 months of age <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/bronchiolitis>

Canadian Pediatric Society: Uncomplicated pneumonia in healthy Canadian children and youth: Practice points for management <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/pneumonia-management-children-youth#ref10>

Asthma Guidelines

- Diagnosis and management of asthma in preschoolers: <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/asthma-in-preschoolers>
- Canadian Thoracic Society 2012 guideline update: Diagnosis and management of asthma in preschoolers, children and adults: Executive summary – <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4527232/>
- Managing an acute asthma exacerbation in children – <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/managing-an-acute-asthma-exacerbation>
- ICS for asthma therapy in children – [https://cps.ca/uploads/documents/Table_3_-_Inhaled_daily_dose_of_corticosteroids_\(ICS\)_for_asthma_therapy_in_children.pdf](https://cps.ca/uploads/documents/Table_3_-_Inhaled_daily_dose_of_corticosteroids_(ICS)_for_asthma_therapy_in_children.pdf)
- The management of very mild and mild asthma in preschoolers, children, and adolescents <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/mild-asthma>

COVID-19 vaccine <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/covid-19-vaccine-for-children-and-adolescents>

Invasive group A streptococcal disease: Management and chemoprophylaxis <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/invasive-group-a-streptococcal-disease>

Support for Family Physicians – Ontario College of Family Physicians

Supports for Family Doctors <https://www.ontariofamilyphysicians.ca/supports-for-family-doctors/>

Writing Sick Notes <https://ontariofamilyphysicians.ca/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/ocfp-writing-sick-notes.pdf>

Letter Templates (Word Doc) <https://www.ontariofamilyphysicians.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/ocfp-continuity-of-care-letter-templates.docx>

Continuity of Care: Practice Resources Highlights from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario Advice to the Profession <https://www.ontariofamilyphysicians.ca/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/ocfp-continuity-of-care-practice-resources.pdf>

Toronto Public Health Vaccine Clinics

- Report Student Vaccination (ISPA) – <https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/immunization/report-student-vaccination/>
- Toronto Public Health Appointment Booking System – <https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/immunization/toronto-public-health-appointment-booking-system/>

Bronchiolitis: Less is Best <https://choosingwiselycanada.org/primary-care/bronchiolitis/>

COVID-19 Therapeutic Support Line <https://www.opatoday.com/covid19support/>

OCFP 2023-24 Respiratory Illness Season Resources

stayhealthyontario.ca

<https://www.ontariofamilyphysicians.ca/education-practice-supports/respiratory-illness-season-tools-and-resources>

Respiratory Virus Tool <https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/Data-and-Analysis/Infectious-Disease/Respiratory-Virus-Tool>

COVID-19 Resources <https://www.ontario.ca/page/covid-19-coronavirus>

SHN VaxFacts <https://www.shn.ca/vaxfacts/>

Influenza Surveillance Sentinels Survey 2022 <https://s-ea1459-i.sgizmoca.com/s3/i-yzen2NUaryYJc6vr8W-73007/?sguid=yzen2NUaryYJc6vr8W>

COVID-19 testing locations and clinical assessment centres <https://www.ontario.ca/assessment-centre-locations/>

COVID-19 Resources <https://www.ontario.ca/page/covid-19-coronavirus>

Toronto COVID-19 Testing <https://www.toronto.ca/community-people/health-wellness-care/health-programs-advice/respiratory-viruses/covid-19/covid-19-what-you-should-do/covid-19-testing/>

CanTreat COVID Enrollment underway – to refer your patients (patients may self-refer):

- Phone: 1-888-888-3308 (Monday - Friday, 8 am to 6 pm ET)
- Email: info@CanTreatCOVID.org
- Website: www.CanTreatCOVID.org/contact
- FAQs: <https://www.dfcu.utoronto.ca/sites/default/files/inline-files/CanTreatCOVID%20Study%20Info%20FAQ.pdf>

OMA Guide to Offering PCR Testing for COVID-19 in Your Office, including links to the requisition and where to order supplies (gated): <https://www.oma.org/uploadedfiles/oma/media/member/membermappedpdfs/practice-professional-support/coronavirus/offering-lab-based-pcr-testing-for-covid-19.pdf/>

Clinical Considerations for the Co-administration of RSV, COVID-19 and Influenza Vaccines Among Older Adults in Long-term Care Facilities https://www.publichealthontario.ca/-/media/Documents/O/2023/oia-clinical-considerations-co-admin-covid-19-influenza-vaccines-ltc.pdf?rev=87b838ca343a4f5e810dbd86a6c0b32a&sc_lang=en

Participant shared links

COVID-19 Attestation Form <https://www.oma.org/uploadedfiles/oma/media/public/oma-covid-attestation-form.pdf>

Why are there so many strep A infections with Alan Grill <https://www.ctvnews.ca/video/c2848797-why-are-there-so-many-strep-a-infections>

Ontario Public Health Standards: Disease: Group A Streptococcal Disease, invasive (iGAS) <https://files.ontario.ca/moh-ophs-group-a-streptococcal-disease-invasive-en-2022.pdf>