

# COVID-19 UPDATE

## TEMAGAMI UPDATE # 69 on COVID-19

November 25th, 2021

CURRENT ACTIVE CASES				
Timiskaming	Timmins/Porcupine	Sudbury	North Bay / Parry Sound	Algoma
68	18	251	19	255
<b>TOTAL ACTIVE CASES IN NORTH EASTERN ONTARIO 611</b>				

In response to rapidly rising COVID-19 cases in the Timiskaming Health Unit (THU) area, **ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN** to curb the spread of the virus, prevent severe illness and death in our communities, and to protect the health system capacity.

Timiskaming Health Unit has updated the **SECTION 22 CLASS ORDER**, which legally requires anyone in the THU area who has confirmed or suspected COVID-19 infection or who is identified as a close contact to follow isolation requirements and other public health direction. **People who do not comply with Section 22 Class order may be issued a set fine of \$880 or a provincial offence which carries a maximum fine of \$5,000 per day.**

**BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATIONS** in the THU area are required to reinstate the provincial capacity limits and physical distancing requirements that were lifted on September 25, 2021, and strengthening masking requirements both indoors and outdoors. For more info visit: <https://www.timiskaminghu.com/90545/COVID-19-Enforcement-Orders-and-Letters-of-instruction>

Beginning November 26<sup>th</sup>, **ANYONE AGED 12 YEARS AND OLDER** in the THU area are to provide proof of identification and vaccination if they are entering an indoor facility to actively participate in, coach, officiate, volunteer, or spectate at an organized sport.

**COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR CHILDREN 5 TO 11 YEARS OLD** Community Clinics Begins November 29<sup>th</sup>. Book using the provincial booking system at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/book-vaccine/> or call 866-747-4305, Ext. 6. To book an appointment online, children must be turning five years old by the end of 2021 (born in 2016). For more info visit: <https://www.timiskaminghu.com/90544/COVID-19-vaccination-for-children-5-to-11-years-old>

**BOOSTER DOSES** are being offered to certain venerable populations:

- Whose immunity may have lessened six months after receiving their second dose
- Who are potentially at higher risk for transmission due to where they live or work
- Who may be at higher risk of serve outcomes from COVID-9

People who are eligible must wait **six months (168 days) after receiving their second dose** before they can get their booster dose. For more info visit: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/getting-covid-19-vaccine#booster-doses>

**COVID-19: Plan a Safe Holiday or Celebration** Safety tips to reduce your risk and help prevent the spread of COVID-19 during holidays and celebrations.

- Follow advice from local public health authority
- Safety precautions at the gathering
- Shopping during holidays

For more info visit: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/guidance-documents/plan-safe-holiday-celebration.html>

\*Please note that these updates are made at a point in time and are not updated daily. They coincide with our regularly scheduled Emergency Operations Cycle Meetings. For the latest information on the COVID19 situation in our health district, please visit [https://www.timiskaminghu.com/90484/COVID-19\\*](https://www.timiskaminghu.com/90484/COVID-19*)