

# Addendum: Board of Health Meeting

Thursday, May 20, 2021

**ADDENDUM – SECOND MEETING**  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**  
**MAY 20, 2021**

**7.0 ADDENDUM**

**DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

**i) Public Health Measures – Extension of Current Restrictions**

- Letter from the Board of Health Chair, Peterborough Public Health, to the Premier of Ontario, dated May 14, 2021

**ii) Motivation for COVID-19 Vaccination**

- Invitation from Public Health Sudbury & Districts to be a Public Health Influencer

**iii) aPHa AGM**

- Resolution Information for Voting Delegates

**iv) Items of Information**

- aPHa Information Break, dated May 18, 2021

May 14, 2021

Honourable Doug Ford  
Premier of Ontario  
[premier@ontario.ca](mailto:premier@ontario.ca)

Dear Premier Ford,

On behalf of the Peterborough board of health, I would like to share our appreciation and support for your decision to extend the current Stay-at-Home Order that was set to expire on May 19 until at least June 2, 2021. Your announcement yesterday has come as good news for our communities in Peterborough, where we have seen a much slower decline in the incidence of daily COVID-19 cases than with previous provincial lock downs.

Although we understand the sacrifices that are required by our local operators and businesses, it is critical that when we do emerge from this period, we are able to sustain any gains made. We continue to make great progress with our vaccination roll-out but we will not have achieved the critical mass of fully immunized individuals by June 2<sup>nd</sup> and we must rely on a continuation of public health measures to prevent a resurgence.

With this in mind, we would like to propose three priorities for provincial leadership in order to prepare for June 2nd and a successful transition to recovery over the summer months:

First, we request that the province articulate the parameters that need to be achieved in order for the order to be lifted or modified. This includes clearly specifying goals such as daily new cases, transmission rates, test positivity rate, hospitalization and ICU capacity that will indicate when it is safe to ease the current restrictions. Sticking to the health measures will be much easier if we have specific goals to work towards.

Second, we urge that lower-risk outdoor activities be permitted. Communities are exhausted and the science supports the outdoors as a safer setting for physical activities such as play and recreation. Surely we can allow sports, exercise, and similar activities that can be done in small numbers, allow for physical distancing and other public health measures like the wearing of masks where necessary. For many of these spaces, the missing ingredient is the required supervision to ensure appropriate use. This may be a target for enhanced provincial funding to allow municipalities to step in to fill this gap.

Third, we believe that part of the encouragement for people to get vaccinated is the provision of the rationale. In other words, the descriptions of what additional activities can or loosened restrictions fully vaccinated individuals can expect. Now is the time to provide guidelines of what a fully vaccinated person can do with another fully vaccinated person – whether that may be to hug, eat together, share a visit with a parent in long-term care. We encourage the Premier to accept the invitation from ALPHA, our provincial association of boards of health, for further input and advice on how best to ensure the success of Ontario's COVID-19 response as we move into the summer months.

The battle against COVID 19 and the management of the pandemic has highlighted the value of the partnership between public health and the government in protecting the health of Ontarians. As we move forward together to finish the job and as we consider the ongoing role of Public Health in a post-pandemic environment, we look forward to continuing the close collaboration with the government and other health care partners.

Once again, thank you, Premier, for taking action and communicating it clearly with us in a timely way.

Sincerely,

***Original signed by***

Mayor Andy Mitchell  
Chair, Board of Health

cc: Hon. Christine Elliott, Minister of Health  
Dave Smith, MPP Peterborough-Kawartha  
David Piccini, MPP Northumberland-Peterborough South  
Laurie Scott, MPP Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock  
Curve Lake First Nation Council  
Hiawatha First Nation Council  
Peterborough City Council  
Peterborough County Council  
Association of Local Public Health Agencies  
Ontario Boards of Health



**Public Health**  
**Santé publique**  
SUDBURY & DISTRICTS

# My motivation for the **COVID-19 vaccination**

**You are invited**

*to be a Public Health Influencer!*

## **Who**

You, as a valued and respected member of our local communities.

## **What**

Share your motivation to get the COVID-19 vaccine with our community! Take a picture with our speech bubble or a short 15-20 second video and send it back to us.

## **Where**

Your submission may be used on social media platforms and possibly other communication mediums as we incorporate community

involvement to influence a positive impact on outcomes at the individual and community level.

## Why

Engaging local influencers to promote and communicate campaigns, facilitates success, and helps to instill confidence among the public.

## When

Submit your entry by May 31.

## How



### OPTION 1:

Print **this PDF** and write your motivation for getting the COVID-19 vaccine or why you think it's important inside the speech bubble. Then take a photo of yourself holding your speech bubble and email your photo to us at **[motivation\\_for\\_vaccination@phsd.ca](mailto:motivation_for_vaccination@phsd.ca)**

### OPTION 2:



Submit a **[brief video](#)** of yourself detailing your motivation for getting the vaccine for COVID-19 or why you believe it's important.

**Be a Public Health Influencer and support this special initiative!**

**Contact us with any questions at  
[motivation\\_for\\_vaccination@phsd.ca](mailto:motivation_for_vaccination@phsd.ca)**

**DISCLAIMER:** I hereby irrevocably grant consent to Public Health Sudbury & Districts, its employees, agents, and authorized representatives to use the image and or video provided for the purpose of the "My motivation for the COVID-19 vaccination campaign".

Public Health Sudbury & Districts  
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# Ma motivation pour la vaccination contre la COVID-19

## Nous vous invitons

*à devenir influenceur en santé publique !*

### Qui ?

Vous, à titre de membre en vue et respecté de la communauté.

### Quoi ?

Partagez votre motivation pour la vaccination contre la COVID-19 dans notre collectivité! Envoyez-nous une photo de vous tenant notre bulle de message ou envoyez une vidéo de vous d'une durée de 15 à 20 secondes.

### Où ?

Votre photo ou votre vidéo pourra être diffusée dans les médias sociaux et par d'autres moyens afin d'inclure l'engagement communautaire dans nos efforts pour obtenir des résultats positifs sur le plan individuel et communautaire.

## Pourquoi ?

L'engagement d'influenceurs dans la promotion des campagnes de vaccination et la communication contribue au succès de celles-ci et aide à répandre la confiance au sein de la population.

## Quand?

Envoyez la photo ou la vidéo au plus tard le 31 mai.

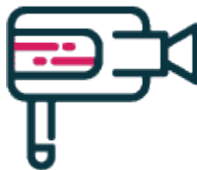
## Comment ?



### OPTION 1 :

Imprimez ce **fichier PDF** et, dans la bulle de message, inscrivez votre motivation pour obtenir le vaccin ou dites pourquoi vous estimez cela important. Ensuite, faites une photo de vous tenant la bulle et envoyez-là par courriel à **[motivation\\_for\\_vaccination@phsd.ca](mailto:motivation_for_vaccination@phsd.ca)**

### OPTION 2 :



Envoyez une **[courte vidéo](#)** dans laquelle vous parlez votre motivation pour obtenir le vaccin contre la COVID-19 ou dites pourquoi vous estimez cela important.



**Soyez influenceur en santé publique et appuyez cet important projet. Si vous avez des questions, communiquez avec nous :  
[motivation\\_for\\_vaccination@phsd.ca](mailto:motivation_for_vaccination@phsd.ca)**

**CONSENTEMENT** : Par la présente, je consens de manière irrévocable à ce que Santé publique Sudbury et districts, ses employés, ses agents et ses représentants autorisés utilisent la photo ou la vidéo que j'ai soumise aux fins du projet « Ma motivation pour la campagne de vaccination contre la COVID-19 ».

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## **aPHa 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM)**

### **IMPORTANT NOTE FOR VOTING DELEGATES:**

Members must register to vote at the Resolutions Session. Health Units must indicate who they are sending as voting delegates and which delegates will require a proxy vote on or before 4:30 pm on June 1, 2021.

Only one proxy vote is allowed per person.

Eligible voting delegates include Medical Officers of Health, Associate Medical Officers of Health, Acting Medical Officers of Health, members of a Board of Health and senior members in any of aPHa's Affiliate Member Organizations. Each delegate will be voting on behalf of their health unit/board of health.

Delegates who are voting will receive special log in instructions for voting purposes shortly before the conference. Attached is a list describing the number of votes for which each Health Unit qualifies.

**Number of Resolutions Votes Eligible Per Health Unit**

<i><b>HEALTH UNITS</b></i>	<i><b>VOTING DELEGATES</b></i>
Toronto*	<b>20</b>
<b>POPULATION OVER 400,000</b>	<b>7</b>
Durham	
Halton	
Hamilton	
Middlesex-London	
Niagara	
Ottawa	
Peel	
Simcoe-Muskoka	
Waterloo	
York	
<b>POPULATION OVER 300,000</b>	<b>6</b>
Windsor-Essex	
<b>POPULATION OVER 200,000</b>	<b>5</b>
Eastern Ontario	
Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox and Addington	
Southwestern	
Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph	
<b>POPULATION UNDER 200,000</b>	<b>4</b>
Algoma	
Brant	
Chatham-Kent	
Grey Bruce	
Haldimand-Norfolk	
Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine-Ridge	
Hastings-Prince Edward	
Huron	
Lambton	
Leeds, Grenville and Lanark	
North Bay Parry Sound	
Northwestern	
Perth	
Peterborough	
Porcupine	
Renfrew	
Sudbury	
Thunder Bay	
Timiskaming	

\* total number of votes for Toronto endorsed by membership at 1998 Annual Conference

Health Unit population statistics taken from: Statistics Canada. [2011 Census. Census Profile.](#)



**May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

*This update is a tool to keep alPHA's members apprised of the latest news in public health including provincial announcements, legislation, alPHA activities, correspondence, and events. Visit us at [alphaweb.org](http://alphaweb.org).*

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### **COVID-19 Update**

As part of the response to COVID-19, alPHA continues to represent the public health system and work with key stakeholders. To keep members up-to-date, alPHA shares Ministry of Health Situation Reports and COVID-19-related news. If you are not receiving these, please get in touch with the contact person at your health unit who distributes information on behalf of alPHA.

[Visit the Ministry of Health's page on guidance for the health sector](#)

[View the Ministry's website on the status of COVID-19 cases](#)

[Go to Public Health Ontario's COVID-19 website](#)

[Visit the Public Health Agency of Canada's COVID-19 website](#)

[alPHA's recent COVID-19 related submissions can be found here](#)

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### **Conference and Annual General Meeting Update**

***Ontario's Public Health System***

***Challenges – Changes – Champions***

**June 8, 2021 - 8:00 AM (EST)**

This year's Conference and AGM will continue the conversation on the critical role of Ontario's public health system and includes discussions on the response to COVID-19 and the future of public health. The day gets underway with the Celebrating the Northwest – Pre-Conference Event and the full program that follows includes an exciting line-up of speakers and sessions. The [conference page](#) for this online event is the up-to-date source for information, including the Conference Program. [The AGM Package and 2021 Resolutions for Consideration](#) can also be accessed on this page. Registration is open to alPHA members only and closes on June 1<sup>st</sup>

We are grateful to our gold level sponsor: **Gillons Insurance Brokers – A division of Westland Insurance group** and our silver level sponsor: **Mosey and Mosey** for their continued support. A sponsorship package and application form can be accessed [here](#).

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## Request for Photos

Do you have a photo showing alPha members in action that we can share with attendees at the Annual Conference? We want to profile the key role that public health is playing in the pandemic response. Please send your images to: [info@alphaweb.org](mailto:info@alphaweb.org)

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## alPha Fitness Challenge

Ready, set, go! The alPha fitness challenge is in full swing and our public health colleagues are getting active. Join them...share a picture on Twitter of you taking part in 30 minutes of COVID-19 safe activity, tag @PHAgencies #alPha 2021

We will highlight these at the AGM on June 8 (and don't forget to [register](#))!

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## Get ready to virtually meet and tips from our hosts NWHU!

Here are some tips from the NWHU Healthy Meetings and Events Guide to help you prepare for the alPha AGM and all of your other meeting filled days!

Make time to move: a little bit of movement goes a long way to help us re-charge before, during and after long meetings. At NWHU we build movement into every hour of meeting. Stand, stretch, and move. A great motivator is the alPha fitness challenge.

Looking for more? Add a physical activity break to your next meeting agenda and at the beginning of the meeting encourage participants to stand and move as needed. And check out these [tips](#) from ParticipACTION for working activity into your day.

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## alPha Correspondence

Through policy analysis, collaboration, and advocacy, alPha's members and staff act to promote public health policies that form a strong foundation for the improvement of health promotion and protection, disease prevention, and surveillance services in all of Ontario's communities. A complete online library is available [here](#), with [alPha's most recent letter on Extending PH Restrictions](#) at the top.

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## Boards of Health: Shared Resources

A resource [page](#) is available on alPha's website for Board of Health members to facilitate the sharing of and access to orientation materials, best practices, by-laws, resolutions, and other resources. If you have a best practice, by-law or any other resource that you would like to make available, please send a file or a link with a brief description to [gordon@alphaweb.org](mailto:gordon@alphaweb.org) and for posting in the appropriate library.

Resources available on the alPha website include:

- [Orientation Manual for Board of Health](#)
- [Review of Board of Health Liability \(PowerPoint presentation\)](#)
- [Governance Toolkit](#)
- [Risk Management for Health Units](#)
- [Healthy Rural Communities Toolkit](#)

- [The Ontario Public Health Standards](#)
  - [Public Appointee Role and Governance Overview](#)
  - [Ontario Boards of Health by Region](#)
  - [List of Units sorted by Municipality](#)
  - [List of Municipalities sorted by Health Unit](#)
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### PHO Courses

PHO offers online educational courses in a variety of topics – from health promotion to infection prevention and control. They're convenient, too - you can [access](#) these courses anytime, anywhere. Visit the course catalogue, where you'll find enrolment information and a list of courses along with their descriptions and system requirements, as well as information for downloading courses.

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### Upcoming PHO Events

Public Health Ontario has released a knowledge product, [Focus On: Backward Contact Tracing](#), that provides a conceptual overview of backward contact tracing (BCT) as an emerging approach for public health management of COVID-19. This document also provides operational considerations for public health units (PHUs) on how BCT can be included in their COVID-19 case and contact management. This event takes place virtually on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm. Further details for this event can be found [here](#).

Please visit PHO's [Education and Events page](#) to register for education and professional development opportunities on relevant and timely public health topics including COVID-19. All sessions are recorded and posted to the [Presentations page](#).

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### Upcoming DLSPH Events and Webinars

- [Centre for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases Seminar – Dr. Deshayne Fell \(May 3\)](#)
  - [Centre for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases Seminar – Dr. Ann Burchell \(May 10\)](#)
  - [Behind the Mask: See Where N95 Masks Are Being Researched \(May 27\)](#)
  - [Centre for Vaccine-Preventable Diseases Seminar – Clarke Bhandari Cole \(May 31\)](#)
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### News Releases

The most up to date news releases from the Government of Ontario can be accessed [here](#).

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