



Ontario Association of  
Children's Aid Societies



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*The purpose of Vax Facts is to provide up to date, credible information about the COVID-19 vaccination process in Ontario. Please feel free to also use these resources to augment your local discussions about vaccinations. If you have a resource that you think the sector would benefit from, send it to [covid19@oacas.org](mailto:covid19@oacas.org).*

Resources are available now, and will be added to regularly, at [oacas.org/EveryShotCounts](https://oacas.org/EveryShotCounts) for staff and stakeholders to access information about COVID-19 vaccines in one place.

- **Yesterday the [Government of Ontario announced](#) that students will move to remote learning after the April break.** In the same announcement, daycare for essential workers was referenced. The list for those that qualify for essential daycare may be found [here](#), in Schedule 5: *Individuals Eligible for Emergency Daycare*. Staff working in residential settings (s. 21.1) and children's aid workers (s. 21.2) are clearly articulated. Program requirements and spots are managed locally.

- **We know that access to vaccinations for the child welfare sector continues to vary across the province and this is frustrating for those still waiting.** We continue to share your experiences and advocate to government for access to vaccines for the sector.
- **Approval for vaccines for children/younger youth continues to move ahead,** making speaking to youth about their options crucial. Check out last week's edition of [VaxFacts](#) for some great youth-focused resources and watch this space for more in the coming weeks.
- **Access to vaccines continues to change frequently in communities.**
  - You can access the provincial system [here](#) to check availability and eligibility and book appointments.
  - For the most up to date listing of pharmacies administering AstraZeneca, available for anyone 55+ click [here](#).

#### Resources

- **Do you have questions about COVID-19 vaccine safety?** Canadian scientists, pharmacists and physicians host a Zoom session every Monday, Thursday and Saturday night from 8-9 PM EST to answer all your questions. Register [here](#).
- **Need factsheets about COVID-19 and vaccines?** CAMH has some excellent ones available in French, English and nine other languages that offer plain language information, including how to speak to people with mental health issues about the topics. Click [here](#) to see what's on offer.