



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.

- As you know, Health Canada authorized the Pfizer vaccine for children 12+ last week. To support engagement with children, youth, families, and caregivers, we released a Bulletin with [key messages for leaders](#), an [FAQ for youth](#), and a [conversation starter](#) for those having conversations with young people. The Bulletin is available [here](#). We continue to wait for any guidance that may provide additional details of the roll out for children 12+.

- The provincial vaccine program continues to evolve and change, and this week was no exception! Eligible groups can use Ontario's [vaccine booking system](#) to find out how to schedule an appointment, or can call the Provincial Vaccine Booking Line number at 1-833-943-3900. For general inquiries, individuals can call the Provincial Vaccine Information Line number at 1-888-999-6488 or TTY service is also available by calling [1-866-797-0007](#).
- The changes [this week](#) include:
  - Anyone 18+ is now eligible and can now register via the provincial booking system.
  - Although registration for children 12+ via provincial booking system does not open until May 31, as of May 18 public health units may choose to provide vaccines to those aged 12 and over in pop-up and mobile clinics, as well as for walk-in appointments where the Pfizer vaccine is offered.

### Resources

- Join us Thursday May 20 from 11-12 PM for a webinar focused on the COVID-19 vaccine and children 12+ with Dr. Wormsbecker, a pediatrician at Unity Health, St. Michael's. More information is available [here](#) or you can join via Zoom [here](#).