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Peterborough Region Moving into ‘Protect’ Level to Control Spread of COVID-19



As of Monday November 23, 2020 at 12:01 a.m. Peterborough Public Health will be strengthening COVID-19 measures and moving into the Yellow – PROTECT level of the provincial [COVID-19 Response Framework](#).

“Moving into the yellow zone is based on a number of indicators that show the rate of community spread is increasing, even if we exclude the cases linked to the Fairhaven outbreak,” said Dr. Rosana Salvaterra, Medical Officer of Health. “The most concerning one for me has been the increased proportion of cases with no link to either travel or contact with a case. I’m hoping the new measures now required for our region will enable us to be more effective in preventing new cases and our staff will be ensuring local business operators have what they need to develop the required Safety Plans.”

Under the [PROTECT level](#), further regulations will be implemented at higher risk settings. All of the following settings are required to develop a [Workplace Safety Plan](#) in addition to adhering to other tighter requirements:

- Restaurant, bars, food and drink establishments
- Sports and recreational fitness facilities
- Meeting and event spaces
- Retail
- Personal Care Services
- Casinos, bingo halls and gaming establishments
- Cinemas
- Performing arts facilities

Peterborough Public Health will be providing more education for the community related to these new guidelines and enforcement of regulations will be heightened to limit further transmission of COVID-19.

For a full outline of the new guidelines please visit www.peterboroughpublichealth.ca.

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