



*The Corporation of the Municipality of Wawa  
Staff Report*

*Clerk*

<b>Prepared For: Council</b>	<b>Report No.: CC-2021-07</b>
<b>Agenda Date: July 13, 2021</b>	<b>File No.: 9.1</b>

### **Subject**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council and general public with an update on the municipal activities and decisions made as a result of the COVID pandemic.

### **Summary of the Recommendation**

**RESOLVED THAT** the Clerk recommends that Council accept Staff Report No. cc 2021-07, COVID Status Update.



### **Background**

This report outlines the response and decisions made by the Municipality as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Slowly the province is reopening and on Friday, July 16, 2021 at 12:01 a.m., we will be moving into Step 3 of the Reopening Plan. Indoor activities will resume with restrictions, including the requirement to maintain physical distancing and wearing of face coverings. There are some exceptions to this rule, ie. personal care services wherein the removal of face coverings is required.

The Municipality agreed to authorize eating establishments and retail businesses to utilize a portion of the municipal sidewalk to operate their businesses; currently 2 businesses are using this service.

Many positive comments were received by the municipality regarding the patio restaurants and one local business called and personally thanked the municipality for allow this service.

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## Updated Vaccinations

Vaccination clinics continue to be held throughout the district by Algoma Public Health (APH). The municipality continued to receive weekly updates from APH on the number of vaccines administered by it.

Below is a snippet of the number of vaccines administered by APH.

Last Updated: 9:25 AM, July 12, 2021

### Doses administered to Algoma residents

Total doses administered	129,089
# of people who are fully vaccinated	49,379
# of people who have received at least 1 dose	79,710

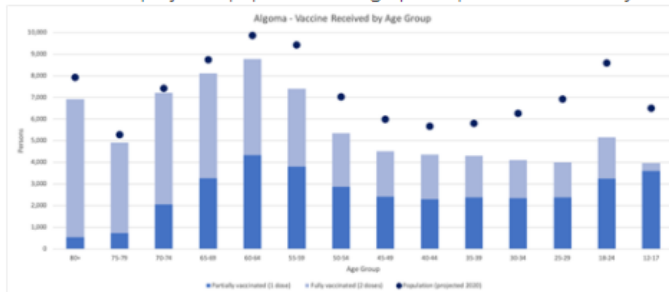
### Population coverage

% of population that has received at least one dose	69.7%
% of eligible population (12+) that have received at least one dose	78.6%
% of eligible population (12+) that are fully vaccinated (received two doses)	48.7%
% of youth population (12-17) that have received at least one dose	62.3%
% of adult population (18+) that have received at least one dose	79.7%
% of adult population (18+) that have are fully vaccinated (received two doses)	51.4%

Note: based on 2020 projected population

### Vaccinations by Age Group in Algoma

Based on 2020 projected population, this graph is updated on Thursdays



Last Updated: July 8, 2021

## **Municipal Emergency Control Group (MECG) Meetings**

The Municipal Emergency Control Group continued to meet on a regular basis (bi-weekly), and effective June 24, 2021, the committee determine it would meet on an as needed basis. Any updates required by the committee would be provided in written form and emailed to the MECG members.

## **Communications to Date**

Municipal staff continue to utilize its social media to promote public health messaging and reminding the public to remain vigilant and mask.

Committee Meetings and Council meetings continue to be held through Zoom Video Conferencing and livestreamed through the Municipality of Wawa You-Tube Channel. These meetings are available for public viewing at any time.

## **CAO and Clerk's Department**

Staff are now investigating its options to resume in-person Council meetings, and staff will provide council with its recommendation to permit public attendance at its meetings.

Now that we are moving into Step Three of the Roadmap to reopening, below is a complete list of activities which may resume on Friday, July 16, 2021:

Step Three of the Roadmap focuses on the resumption of additional indoor services with larger numbers of people and restrictions in place. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Outdoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 100 people with limited exceptions;
- Indoor social gatherings and organized public events with up to 25 people;
- Indoor religious services, rites or ceremonies, including wedding services and funeral services permitted with physical distancing;
- Indoor dining permitted with no limits on the number of patrons per table with physical distancing and other restrictions still in effect;
- Indoor sports and recreational fitness facilities to open subject to a maximum 50 per cent capacity of the indoor space. Capacity for indoor spectators is 50 per cent of the usual seating capacity or 1,000 people, whichever is less. Capacity for outdoor spectators is 75 per cent of the usual seating capacity or 15,000 people, whichever is less;
- Indoor meeting and event spaces permitted to operate with physical distancing and other restrictions still in effect and capacity limited to not exceed 50 per cent capacity or 1,000 people, (whichever is less);
- Essential and non-essential retail with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance of two metres;
- Personal care services, including services requiring the removal of a face covering, with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance of two metres;
- Museums, galleries, historic sites, aquariums, zoos, landmarks, botanical gardens, science centres, casinos/bingo halls, amusement parks, fairs and rural exhibitions, festivals, with capacity limited to not exceed 50 per cent capacity indoors and 75 per cent capacity outdoors;
- Concert venues, cinemas, and theatres permitted to operate at:
  - up to 50 per cent capacity indoors or a maximum limit of 1,000 people for seated events (whichever is less)
  - up to 75 per cent capacity outdoors or a maximum limit of 5,000 people for unseated events (whichever is less); and up to 75 per cent capacity outdoors or a maximum of 15,000 people for events with fixed seating (whichever is less).
- Real estate open houses with capacity limited to the number of people that can maintain a physical distance of two metres; and
- Indoor food or drink establishments where dance facilities are provided, including nightclubs and restobars, permitted up to 25 per cent capacity or up to a maximum limit of 250 people (whichever is less).

Face coverings in indoor public settings and physical distancing requirements remain in place throughout Step Three. This is in alignment with the [advice](#) on personal public health measures

**Financial Impacts**

Staff continue to review the financial implications regarding the continued impact of COVID-19 has had on the Municipality. COVID-19 financial impact reports may be provided to Council as determined by the Treasurer.

**List of Stakeholders**

Council and Municipality of Wawa  
Residents of the Municipality of Wawa

**Recommendation**

Staff recommends that Council accept the staff report and decisions made in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.