

Accelerating Community Vaccination – Overview

This community-led vaccination model builds on existing trust Community Health Centres have garnered in their neighbourhoods leading community-based COVID-19 testing, and their ability to provide low barrier care to marginalized individuals with early learnings and organizational support from Mobile Team Vaccine efforts. This model is in parallel to immunization strategies organized by various hospitals and municipalities, including mass vaccination sites.

Leveraging the learnings from early efforts in long-term care and retirement homes, this Playbook aims to accelerate community-led vaccination efforts while also providing guidance and flexibility to customize efforts to best reflect and address local neighbourhood and population needs.

This effort is a partnership with Ontario Health – Black Health Plan Working Group and is being led by eight community health centres (CHCs): Black Creek CHC, Carea CHC, Parkdale Queen West CHC, Rexdale CHC, South Riverdale CHC, TAIBU CHC, Unison Health and Community Services and , Vibrant Healthcare Alliance. This is in collaboration with the University Health Network’s (UHN) Connected Care, Social Medicine and Population Health Program and Mobile Team Vaccine (comprising of North York General, Sinai Health, UHN, and Women’s College Hospital clinical teams).

This partnership is focused on vaccination expansion efforts in the Greater Toronto Area and can support both stationary community vaccination clinics, ‘pop-up’ sites as well as other needed mobile vaccination efforts.



Resources in this Playbook have been developed to support Community Vaccination Teams include:

- A **Readiness Assessment Tool** to identify the activities and functions that need to be in place, including the right relationships to leverage trust, support and effective outreach
- **Clinical and Site Specific Guidance** to successfully prepare and execute rapid vaccination campaigns and delivery at the local level, including clinical and site specific information and training
- **Vaccine Education and Advocacy Resources** to build vaccine confidence

Aligning Efforts to Best Support the Highest Priority Populations

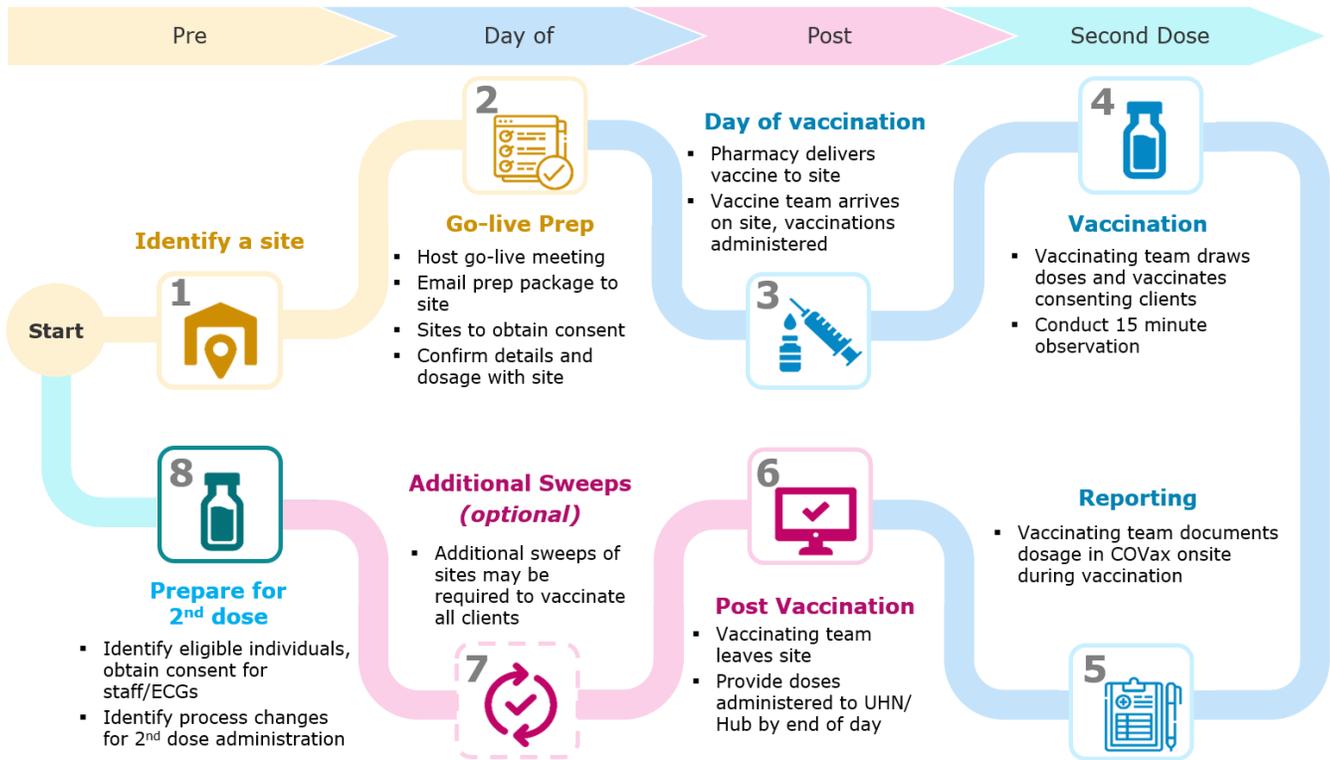
Prioritization of vaccination efforts are developed by the Ministry of Health and established locally by Toronto Public Health. Depending on the needs of the site, each setting will need to determine the constituency and number of site leads and/or clinical teams. Central clinical teams are also available to support settings where needed.



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Mobilizing Team Vaccine (~72-hour process)

Please note: We recommend vaccine education and consent efforts should be started as early as possible.



Vaccination Team Models

Clinical Team	Site Team
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaccine preparation • Vaccinators • Documenters (COVax data entry) • Observers (if required) • Support to educate and build vaccine confidence • Community Ambassadors or Peer Support Workers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site Lead • Clinical staff members (if available medical directors, physicians, nursing, PSWs, peer support) for consent questions and eligibility assessments, observation period, and vaccine questions • Admin staff to help with maintaining list of consented people and documentation in COVax (if applicable) • Rover staff to help with logistics and flow • Facilitate bringing vaccine recipients to immunization station and observation area • Support to educate and build vaccine confidence • Community Ambassadors or Peer Support Workers