COVID-19 Vaccine
What you need to know

The Black community is at higher risk for getting COVID-19.

What's NOT in the vaccine?
There are no pork products (gelatin), blood products, fetal cells or formaldehyde. It's preservative free. There is no microchip in the vaccine.

Can it change my DNA?
No. The vaccine does not change your DNA. Vaccines work with your body’s natural defences to build protection. They teach your body how to recognize and fight the virus.

Will the province use my information to track me in the future?
Your information is only used to record the second dose and any adverse reaction. The province will not use your information to track you in the future.

How did they develop it so quickly?
The need for the vaccine was urgent. People from around the world worked together. They built on decades of research on viruses like COVID-19 to create the vaccine. Increased funding and fewer delays helped speed the process.
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How do we know it is safe?
Canada has very high standards for vaccine safety. In Ontario, there are 773 adverse event reports after 1.16 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines. Most reported allergic skin reactions. This included pain/redness/swelling at the injection site. (Data collected December 13, 2020 - March 13, 2021, Source: Public Health Ontario)

Side effects can develop in the day or two after receiving the vaccine. In rare cases, serious allergic reactions can happen. In most cases, reactions can be treated and are usually temporary.

Can I pre-register now?
To find out, use this QR code or visit www.regionofwaterloo.ca/VaccinePreReg or call 519-575-4400.

Vaccination by appointment. No walk-ins.

Where to get vaccinated:
- The Boardwalk Clinic
  Medical Centre 2, Suite 108, 435, The Boardwalk, Waterloo
- Langs Community Health Centre
  1145 Concession Road, Cambridge
- Pinebush Vaccination Clinic
  SmartCentres, 66 Pinebush Road, Cambridge
- Health Sciences Campus Vaccination Clinic
  10 Victoria Street South, Kitchener
- Wellesley Vaccination Clinic
  3710 Nafziger Drive, Wellesley

Remember to bring identification.
Please continue to follow public health measures: