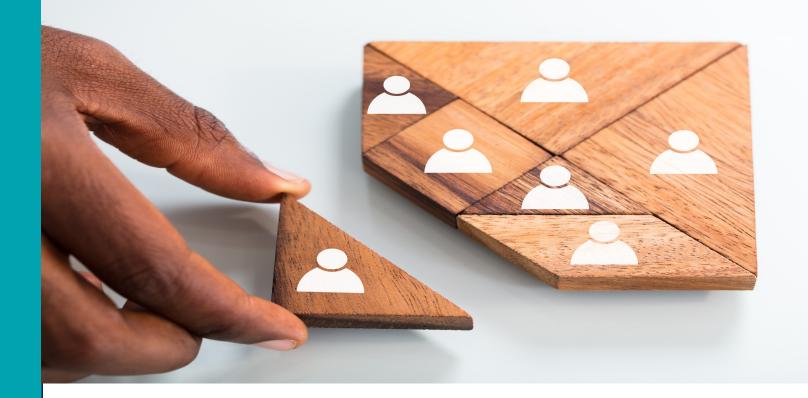
COVID-19 Community of Practice for Ontario Family Physicians

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Changing the Way We Work

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- Dr. Liz Muggah, Ottawa, ON
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Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the lands on which we are hosting this meeting include the traditional territories of many nations.

The OCFP and DFCM recognize that the many injustices experienced by the Indigenous Peoples of what we now call Canada continue to affect their health and well-being. The OCFP and DFCM respect that Indigenous people have rich cultural and traditional practices that have been known to improve health outcomes.

I invite all of us to reflect on the territories you are calling in from as we commit ourselves to gaining knowledge; forging a new, culturally safe relationship; and contributing to reconciliation.

EXPECTATIONS FOR PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY OUTREACH



As a clinician or staff member representing myself and Women's College Hospital (WCH), I will strive to work with awareness of my own power and privilege in community partnerships. I recognize that in each patient and community interaction I have a chance to heal part of a broken relationship between institutions and historically marginalized people and communities.

PRINCIPLES:

RESPECT

- I will honour the knowledge and expertise of the community as well as their existing processes and practices.
- I will adopt a trauma-informed approach in providing care and expertise.
- . I recognize the self-determination of community partners in both the development and the leadership of the outreach activity.

I will identify what I do not know and seek clarification, context and guidance from community members where necessary. WCH will assist me in identifying resources and community experts. WCH teams leads are also present to help and guide me where necessary.

RESPONSIBILITY

- I will uphold WCH standards of inclusive and respectful behaviours and practices.
- I will develop and sustain credible relationships with community organizations, their leaders and all members of the community.
- I will learn and enact the specific responsibilities of my role on the team.
- I will engage in reflection to understand how historical power dynamics continue to impact the relationship between community organizations and hospitals.

WCH will provide me with preparatory materials such as learning modules and team huddles to assist me with context, history and community protocols.

RECIPROCITY

• I will learn together with community and other hospital staff to iteratively adapt the program and debrief incidents in a respectful and thoughtful way as guided by the leadership of the community organization or the team lead from WCH.

I will share my knowledge throughout the process and learn from the knowledge and expertise of the local community.

RELEVANCE

- I will engage in services and programs that are responsive to the needs identified by the community organizations, leaders
- I will partner with the community organizations to ensure that the services are provided as guided by the communities.

I will see that my work yields meaningful and sustainable community partnerships.

I_ principles for participa Date	tion in community outreach.	, have read and agree to adhere to the above
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CREATING A CULTURE OF SAFETY **IN COVID-19 COMMUNITY OUTREACH**



WITHIN YOURSELF...

- educate yourself on how social and historical contexts shape an individual's experiences
- continue to examine your own privileges, power, biases, and assumptions
- be aware of existing power dynamics between community organizations and WCH

- introduce vourself in a friendly manner
- sit down when talking to clients (if possible)
- ask 'what name can I call you'?
- use gender neutral language
- be friendly and empathetic
- · ask preferred language and use on-site interpreters or language line if needed
- be sensitive in asking for documentation and identification
- be sensitive that receiving a COVID test or vaccination can be triggering for some always ask:
 - how do you usually respond to these types of tests/vaccines/needles?
 - would it be helpful to discuss some grounding techniques, for example deep breathing?
 - can I put my hand on your shoulder, etc.?
 - what arm would you prefer?
- · be approachable and flexible to meet clients where/how/when they prefer, to best respect their needs



WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS ...

- · enter the shared space with humility and respect we are guests
- · listen more, talk carefully, and make sure everyone's ideas are heard
- · respect different ways of knowing and being
- respect different styles of leadership, communication and problem solving
- engage in open and honest dialogue
- rely on the organization's staff who are present and are a trusted source of support and guidance

REMINDERS:

- 1. Clients do not need OHIP cards; other forms of ID can be used for registration. Address does NOT need to be entered into CoVaxON or
- 2. All clients have a right to be tested/vaccinated. Treat them with respect and dignity regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, class, sobriety, age, ability, mental health status, immigration status, and so on.
- 3. We are institutional allies and guests, NOT the ones in charge; our community partners are leading the show and are experts in their community. Please be mindful of this in set-up, flow, and engagement in all events.
- 4. You are the face of the healthcare system to these clients and communities; be gentle and use your encounters with them as an opportunity to (re)build trust.
- 5. Clients may feel nervous, anxious, on-edge, or triggered; recognize triggers and know that trauma reactions are not personal. Express concern for safety and well-being.
- 6. Remember that your role is to welcome and help people feel safe and supported.









Changing the way we work

A community of practice for family physicians during COVID-19

At the conclusion of this <u>series</u> participants will be able to:

- Identify the current best practices for delivery of primary care within the context of COVID-19 and how to incorporate into practice.
- Describe point-of-care resources and tools available to guide decision making and plan of care.
- Connect with a community of family physicians to identify practical solutions for their primary care practice under current conditions.

Previous webinars & related resources:

https://www.dfcm.utoronto.ca/covid-19-community-practice/past-sessions

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- Content has been developed according to the standards and expectations of the Mainpro+ certification program.
- The program content was reviewed by a three-member national/scientific planning committee.

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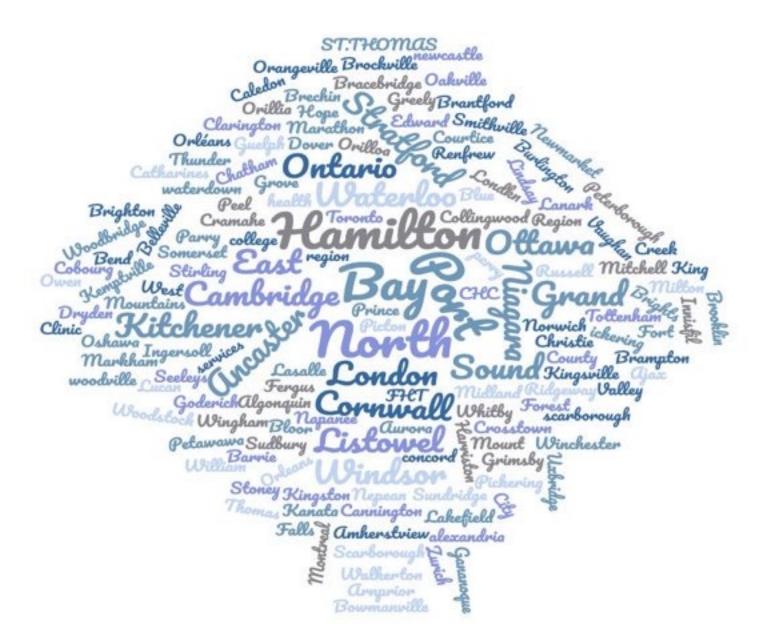
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Where are we from (outside the GTA)?



Questions YOU asked that we will prioritize:

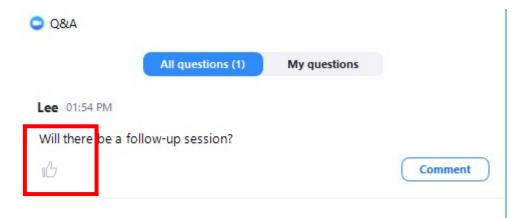
- 1. What's the most up-to-date science on VIIT? What symptoms should we look for?
- 2. How should we counsel patients on Astra Zeneca given the NACI recommendations and risk of VIIT?
- 3. What's the latest on variants and whether vaccines are effective against them?
- 4. What's the safety & efficacy of J&J and who should receive it?
- 5. Where are we at with delivering vaccine in primary care clinics?

How to Participate

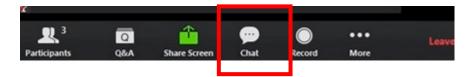
• All questions should be asked using the Q&A function at the bottom of your screen.



• Press the thumbs up button to upvote another guests questions. Upvote a question if you want to ask a similar question or want to see a guest's question go to the top and catch the panels attention.



Please use the chat box for networking purposes only.



We needed to prioritize those in high-risk neighbourhoods

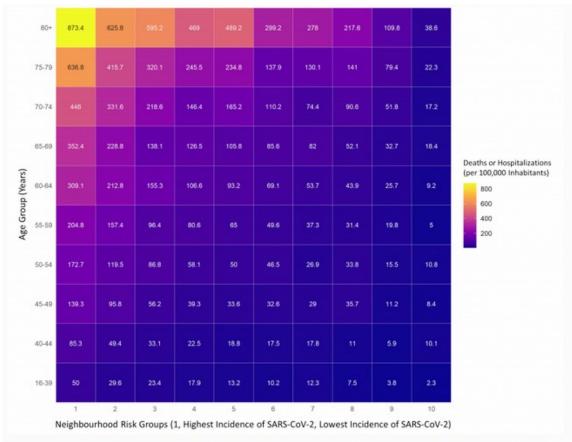


Figure 6. Incidence of COVID-19 Deaths or Hospitalizations by Age and Neighbourhood of Residence in Ontario, from January 23, 2020 to January 16, 2021

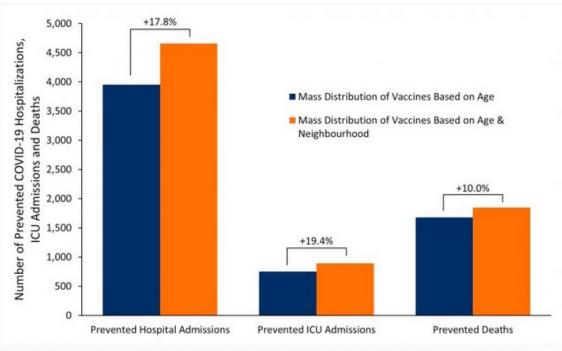
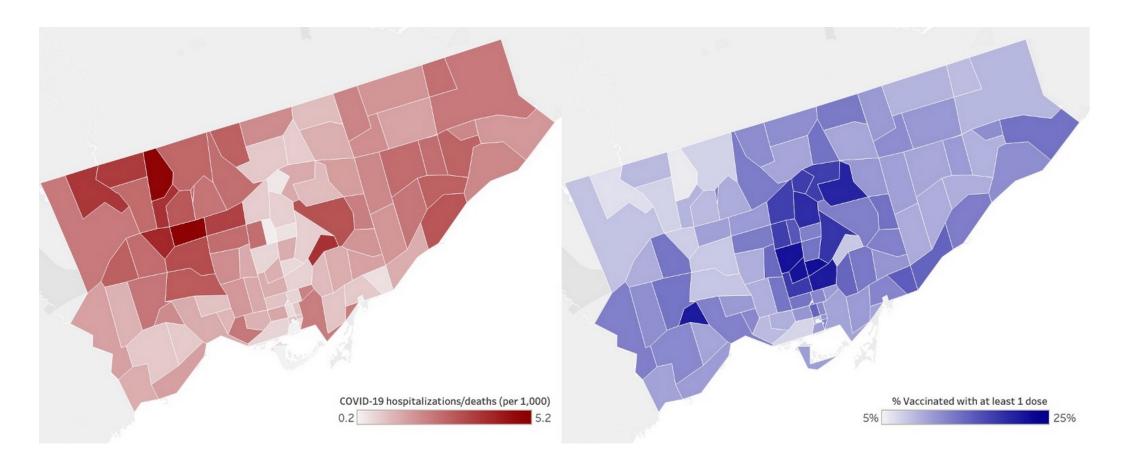


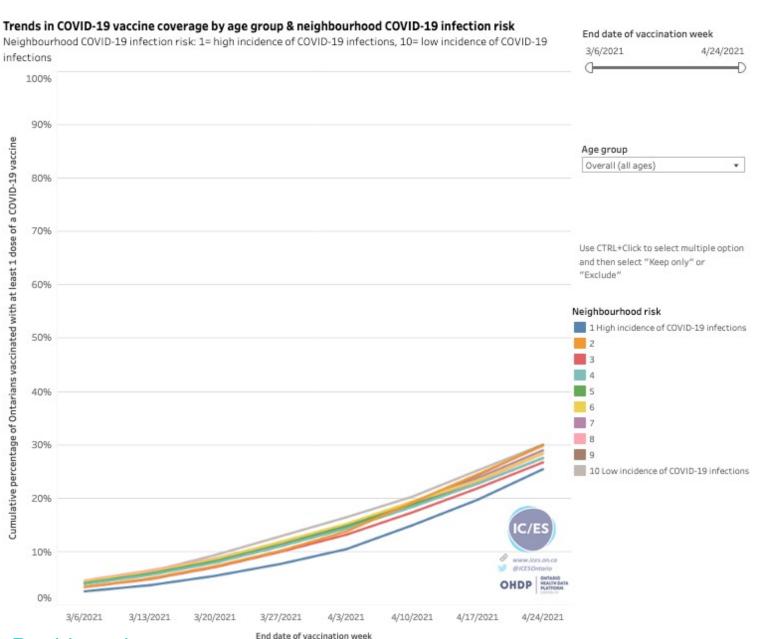
Figure 1. Projected Number of Prevented COVID-19 Hospitalizations, ICU Admissions and Deaths by Two Strategies for Mass Distribution of Vaccines in Ontario, March 1 to May 31, 2021

But instead, high-risk neighbourhoods were left behind





COVID-19 vaccinations in Ontario by neighbourhood COVID-19 infection risk





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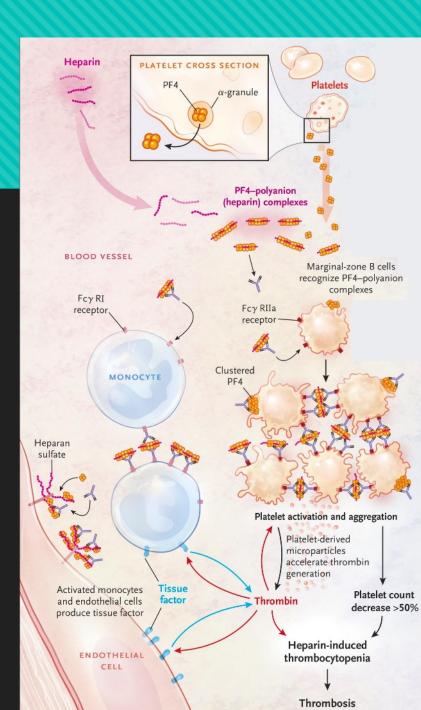
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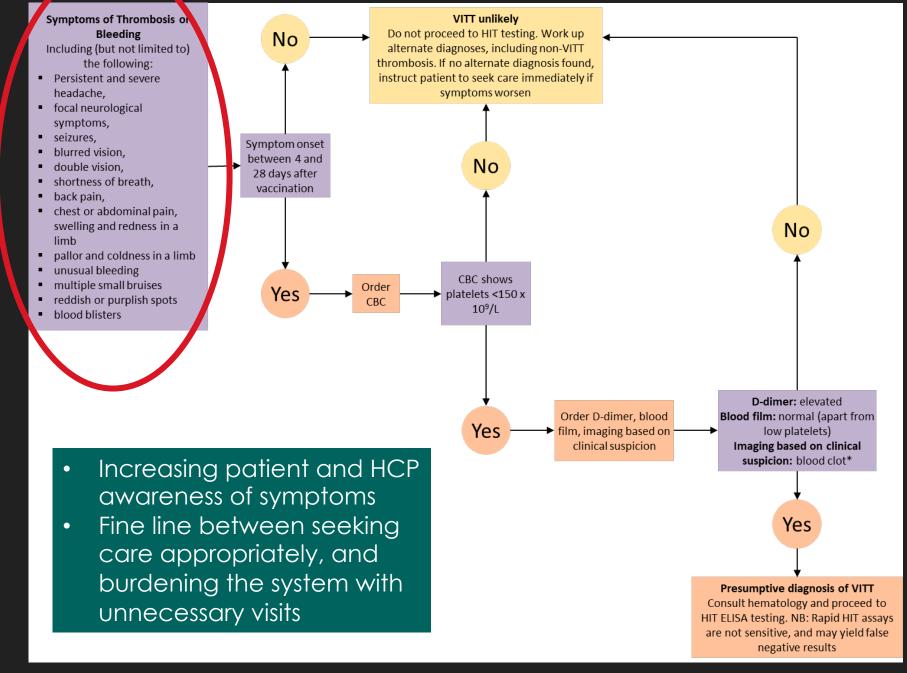
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What is VITT?

- Thrombosis and thrombocytopenia, in a typical time frame after vaccination
- O Incidence:
 - 1/30,000 1/100,000 doses for AZ/COVISHIELD
 - 1/500,000 doses for Janssen
- Slight predominance of women, no age cutoff
- No clear risk factors
 - previous clots, family history of clots, autoimmune disease, hormone use, anticoagulant use, aspirin use, platelet disorders, pregnancy
- O Case fatality 20 40%



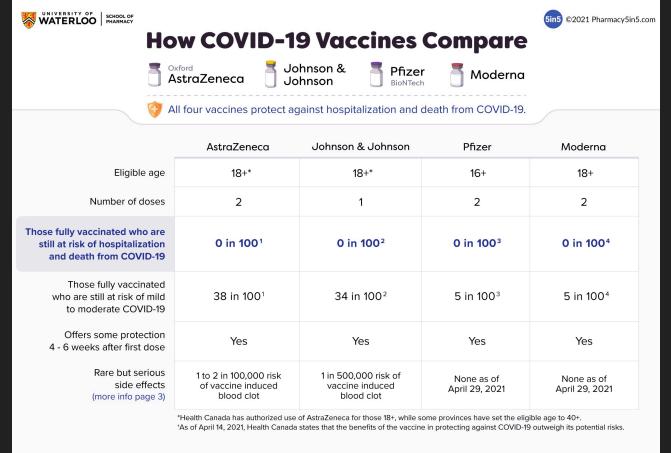


^{*}Not all cases of VITT initially present with a clot. Patients with all of the features of presumptive VITT (low platelets, high D-dimer, presenting 4 to 28 days post-vaccination) but NO blood clot merit a hematology consultation to consider starting anticoagulation until the results of confirmatory testing are back.

NACI's statement emphasized that benefit must outweigh risk to be offered AZ/Janssen

- A complete series with an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine should be preferentially offered to individuals in the authorized age group without contraindications to the vaccine. If an mRNA vaccine is contraindicated, another authorized COVID-19 vaccine should be offered.
- A complete series with the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine may be offered to individuals 30 years of age and older without contraindications only if the individual does not wish to wait for an mRNA vaccine and all of the following conditions apply:
 - The benefit-risk analysis* determines that the benefit of earlier vaccination with the AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine outweighs the risk of COVID-19 while waiting for an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine; and
 - The benefits and relative risk* and consequences of VITT and COVID-19 for the individual are clearly outlined, factoring in the anticipated waiting time to receive an mRNA vaccine as well as the availability of other effective personal public health measures to mitigate risk of COVID-19, and the individual makes an informed decision based on an understanding about these risks and benefits; and
 - O There will be substantial delay to receive an mRNA vaccine.

Supporting your patients as they make decisions around vaccination



mittee-calendar/vaccines-and-related-biological-products-advisory-committee-december-10-2020-meeting-announcement

Voysey et al. Lancet 2021: 397 (10269): 99-111

⁴Baden et al. N Engl J Med. 2021; 384: 403-416

2https://www.fda.gov/advisory-committees/advisory-

https://healthycanadians.gc.ca/recall-alert-rappel-avis/hc-sc/2021/75389a-eng.php





Getting an AstraZeneca or Johnson & Johnson Vaccine

when COVID-19 Risk is High

Based on Ontario data over the previous 14 days as of April 27, 2021* Potential Benefits Potential Harms[†] Age 20-29 30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69 70-79 80+ = 1 COVID-19 hospitalization prevented (per 100,000)

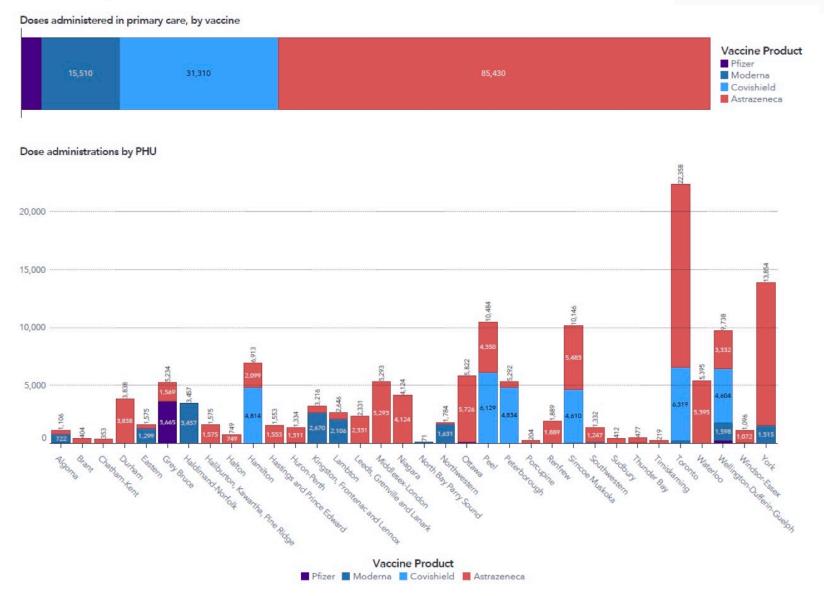
^{= 1} COVID-19 related death prevented (per 100.000)

^{= 1} vaccine-related blood clot (per 100,000)

[†]these are estimates and subject to change as we learn more about vaccine-related blood clots

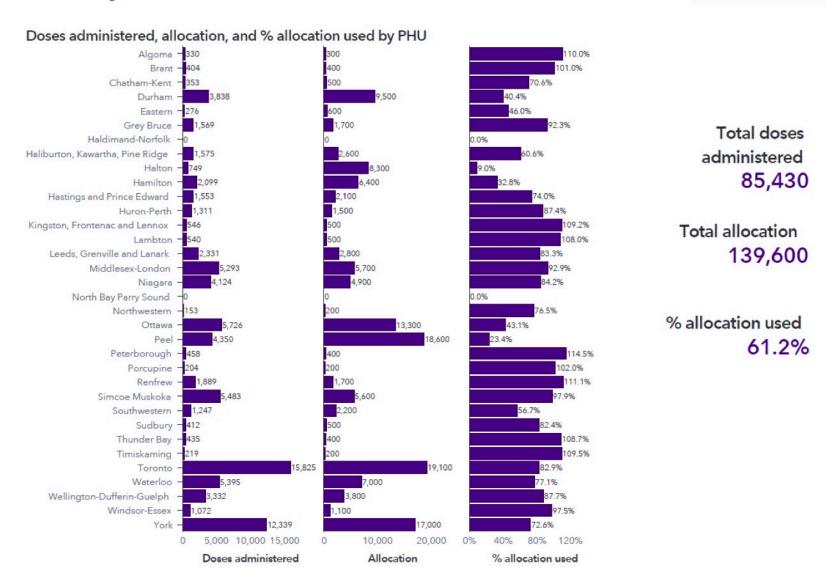
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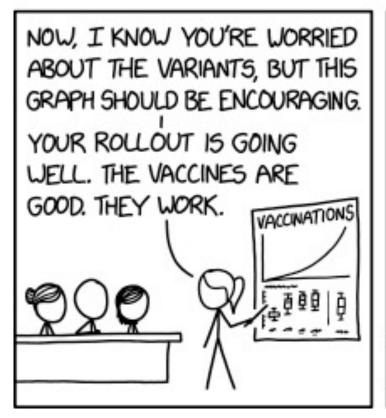




Primary Care - AstraZeneca

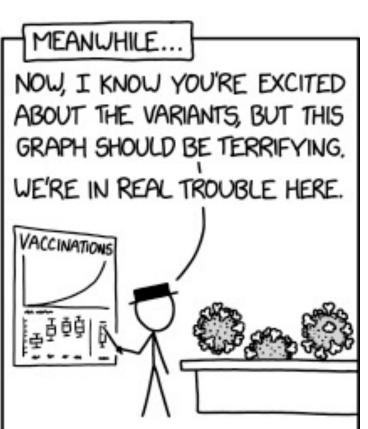








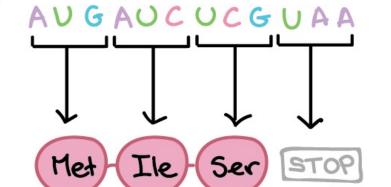




DNA/RNA

- 4 bases (ACTG or ACUG)
- Permutations code for different amino acids (three bases code for one amino acid)

Amino Acid	single letter code	3-letter code	DNA codons
Isoleucine	I	Ile	ATT, ATC, ATA
Leucine	L	Leu	CTT, CTC, CTA, CTG, TTA, TTG
Valine	V	Val	GTT, GTC, GTA, GTG
Phenylalanine	F	Phe	TTT, TTC
Methionine	M	Met (start)	ATG
Cysteine	C	Cys	TGT, TGC
Alanine	A	Ala	GCT, GCC, GCA, GCG
Glycine	G	Gly	GGT, GGC, GGA, GGG
Proline	P	Pro	CCT, CCC, CCA, CCG
Threonine	Т	Thr	ACT, ACC, ACA, ACG
Serine	S	Ser	TCT, TCC, TCA, TCG, AGT, AGC
Tyrosine	Y	Tyr	TAT, TAC
Tryptophan	W	Trp	TGG
Glutamine	Q	Gln	CAA, CAG
Asparagine	N	Asn	AAT, AAC
Histidine	H	His	CAT, CAC
Glutamic acid	E	Glu	GAA, GAG
Aspartic acid	D	Asp	GAT, GAC
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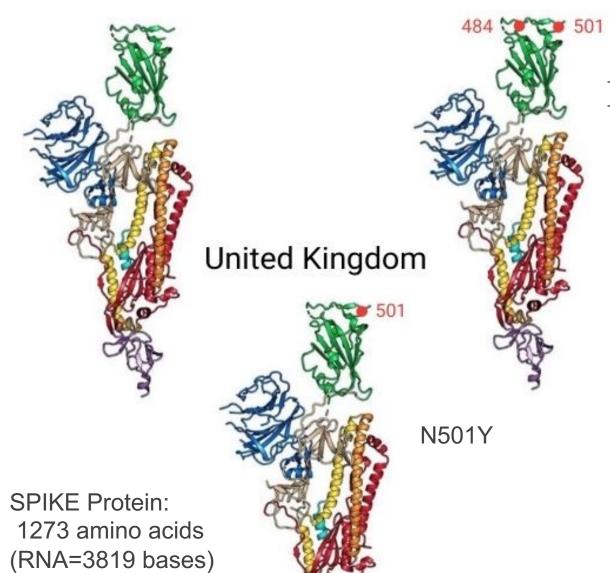
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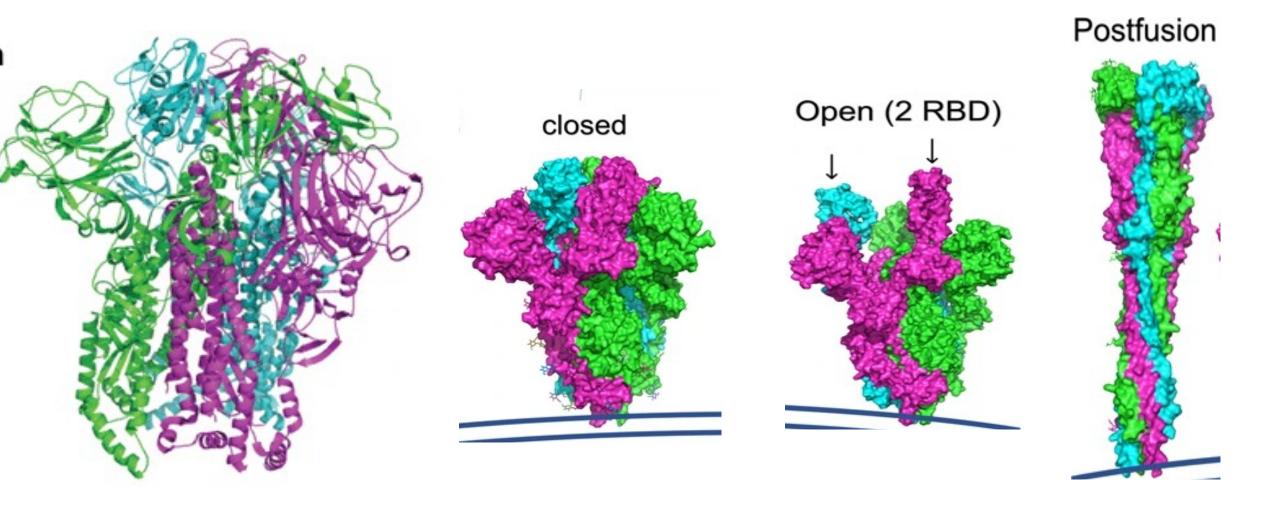
Wuhan

South Africa

N501Y, E484K



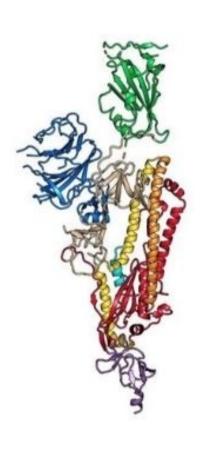
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Asparagine	(N)	Asn	(AAT) AAC
Histidine	H	His	CAT, CAC
Glutamic acid	E	Glu	GAA, GAG
Aspartic acid	D	$_{ m Asp}$	GAT, GAC
Lysine	K	Lys	AAA, AAG
Arginine	R	Arg	CGT, CGC, CGA, CGG, AG
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SARS-CoV-2 Variants

	B.1.1.7	B.1.351	P.1
Alternate name	501Y.V1	501Y.V2	501Y.V3
Country identified	United Kingdom	South Africa	Brazil
Mutations	23	21	17
Spike mutations	8	9	10
Key RBD, spike mutations beyond N501Y in all	E69/70 deletion, P681H 144Y deletion, A570D	E484K, K417N, orf1b deletion	E484K, K417T, orf1b deletion
Other mutations, including N-terminal	T7161, S982A, D1118H	L18F, D80A, D215G, Δ242-244, R264I, A701V	L18F, T20N, P26S, D138Y, R190S, H655Y, T10271
Transmissibility Δ	>50% increased	Not established	Not established
Lethality Δ	Likely increased >30%	?	?

Testing for COVID-19 and mutations



- Routine PCR testing detects a pre-selected sequence of about 100 base pairs in one of the SARS-CoV-2 proteins
 - Different companies and labs use different sequences from different proteins
- To detect variants, new PCRs are designed for the specific (usually shorter) sequences where there are changes
 - Ontario labs do 3 tests: for COVID, for N501 and for E484

Why is figuring out how well vaccines work against variants so difficult?

- 1. We don't have "correlates of protection" (yet)
- 2. Protection may be different against asymptomatic infection, symptoms, hospitalization, death, and risk of transmission
- 3. Even very large studies of vaccine efficacy have confidence limits on efficacy
- 4. Variants may appear in countries without the infrastructure necessary to do assessments rapidly

Vaccine protection against variants

- Against B.1.1.7 might be a bit (?5%) less, but not enough to worry about
- Pfizer (Qatar): VE 87% (82-91%) vs. B.1.1.7 VE 72% (66-77%) vs. B.351
- Janssen (S. Africa): VE 60% (20-80) vs. B.351 in HIV negative
- Astra-Zeneca (S. Africa): VE 10% (0-55%)
- ?P1 / Indian variant





RESOURCE TOOLKIT:

COVID@Home Monitoring for Primary Care

Implementing home monitoring for COVID-19 patients through primary care

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Primary Care COVID-19 Immunization Toolkit

CURRENT IMMUNIZATION STATUS IN CANADA:

Distributed Vaccines: 3082480 Administered Vaccines: 2543253

This toolkit is here to help primary care clinics plan as they support the COVID-19 immunization effort.

While we expect the initial vaccines will be available in limited supply and will be provided first to highest risk individuals and to healthcare workers, this toolkit will help prepare for the next phases when primary and community care will have its role in the COVID-19 immunization effort.

Look through the following sections of the Toolkit:

INFORM AND IDENTIFY ELIGIBLE PATIENTS

- COVID Information & Vaccine Status
- Engage Vaccine Hesitant Patients
- Update Your Patients
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- Focus on Key Populations

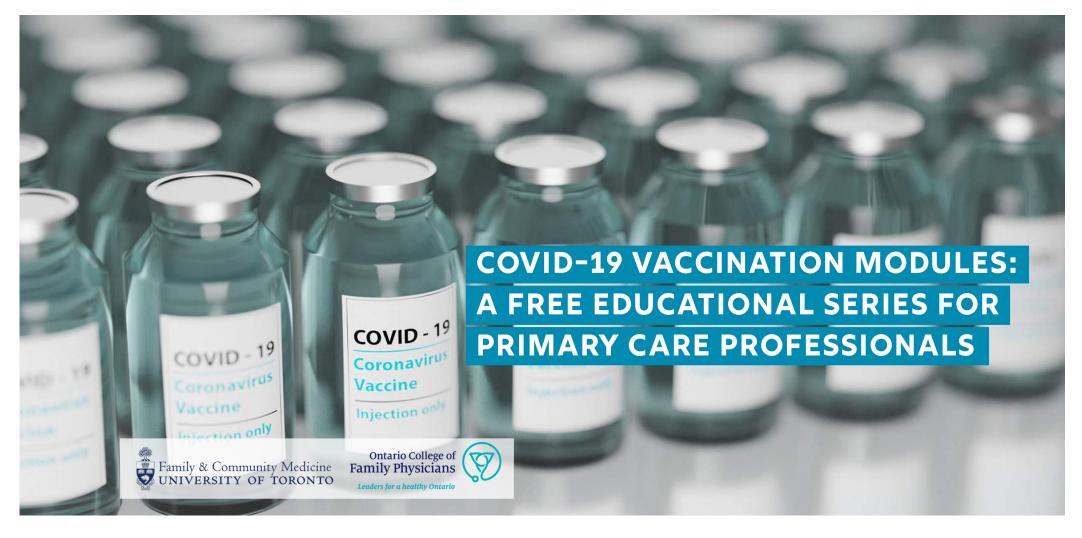
PLAN YOUR IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

- Determine Your Capacity for Immunization Clinics
- Prepare For Your Immunization Clinic
- Book Patients and Provide Pre-Clinic Orientation

RUN YOUR IMMUNIZATION CLINIC

- Before the Start of Your Immunization Clinic
- Patient Flow in Your Immunization Clinic

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Questions?

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