



*City of Sarnia*

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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FROM: City of Sarnia Primary Control Group  
SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update – June 23

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The Sarnia Primary Control Group (SPCG) met via teleconference on June 23, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. regarding developments related to the COVID-19.

Lambton County Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Ranade, confirmed that physical distancing is more important than wearing a mask to battle COVID-19. However, if you find yourself in a situation where physical distancing is not possible, a mask may be considered useful.

We would like to remind everyone to continue practicing individual public health safety measures as many businesses, services and public spaces reopen. This includes:

- Stay home when you are sick
- Use good hand hygiene
- Cover your cough or sneeze
- Practice physical distancing by remaining at least 2 metres (6 feet) apart
- Consider wearing a face covering or a mask when physical distancing is a challenge
- Follow all safety measures in place at businesses, services and public spaces

Sarnia-Lambton is currently in Stage 2, working towards Stage 3 of the [Framework for Reopening our Province](#).

Throughout the pandemic, stay up to date with the City's latest response efforts by frequently checking <https://www.sarnia.ca/covid-19/>. Please visit the City's website [www.sarnia.ca](http://www.sarnia.ca), [Facebook](#), and/or [Twitter](#) for additional updates.

As of 9:30 a.m. on June 23 the SPCG can report that:

### **Summary of COVID-19 cases in Lambton County**

Test Results Received (as per last available daily update)	10,945
Percent of Test Results Positive	2.6%
Confirmed Cases	285
Recovered Cases	245
Number of Related Deaths	25
Active Cases	15
Current Active Outbreaks	2
Resolved Outbreaks	7

### **By-Law Enforcement COVID-19 Reporting System**

Total number of complaints and inquiries received	1,148
Total number of emails received	950
Total number of phone calls received	198
Total number of fines issued	5

### **Lambton Public Health**

- If you are in distress do not go to an Assessment Centre. Call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest Emergency Department.
- If you think you may have COVID-19 symptoms or have been in close contact with someone who has symptoms, please self-isolate and use the [Ontario Self-Assessment Tool](#) to determine if you need to seek further care.
- Local COVID-19 testing information is available online:  
<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/testing-criteria/>
- To view detailed reports of COVID-19 cases in Lambton County visit:  
<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/summary-of-covid-19-cases-in-lambton-county/>

### **Provincial Orders**

The Government of Ontario has extended the [Declaration of Emergency](#) and [emergency orders](#) currently in force under s.7.0.2 (4) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act until June 30, 2020.

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**For further information, please contact:**

**City of Sarnia COVID-19 Hotline**

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