



*City of Sarnia*

***MEDIA RELEASE***

DATE: December 15, 2020 RELEASE DATE: Immediate  
FROM: City of Sarnia Primary Control Group  
SUBJECT: COVID-19 Update

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The Sarnia Primary Control Group (SPCG) met today regarding developments related to COVID-19.

The holiday season will look different this year, but there are still ways to stay socially connected. To help reduce the spread of COVID-19, plan lower risk activities such as:

- Indoor celebrations with members of your household.
- Virtual celebrations.
- Doorstep gift exchanges.
- Outdoor celebrations in open spaces with room for 2-metres of physical distance.

To read more about how to celebrate the holidays safely, and reduce the risk and spread of COVID-19 during the holiday season, please visit:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/guidelines-gatherings-and-winter-holiday-celebrations>

and <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection/guidance-documents/plan-safe-holiday-celebration.html#a1>

Lambton Public Health (LPH) is asking businesses to help reduce the spread of COVID-19 in our community by following the Yellow Public Health Measure guidelines. More information can be found on LPH's website:

<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/workplaces/>

Businesses are encouraged to learn about changes to government programs and available supports from COVID-19. More information is available online:

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/covid-19-help-businesses-ontario> and

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19/businesses-employees.html>

Lambton Public Health is in the Yellow Public Health Measures Level – Protect category of the [\*Keeping Ontario Safe and Open Framework\*](#).

For more information on COVID-19, visit:

- City of Sarnia website: <https://www.sarnia.ca/covid-19/>
- Lambton Public Health website: <https://lambtonpublichealth.ca>
- Local COVID-19 Testing Assessment Centres:  
<https://lambtonpublichealth.ca/2019-novel-coronavirus/testing-criteria/>
- [COVID-19 Case Map](#)
- Public Health Ontario website: <https://www.publichealthontario.ca/>
- Province of Ontario website: [www.ontario.ca/coronavirus](http://www.ontario.ca/coronavirus)
- Government of Canada website: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html>

As of 11:30 a.m. on December 15 the SPCG can report that:

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

Confirmed Cases	456
Recovered Cases	405
Number of Related Deaths	26
Active Cases	25
Current Active Outbreaks	2
Resolved Outbreaks	13
Incidence Rate per 100,000 - Week of Nov. 29-Dec. 5, 2020	15

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

Total number of complaints and inquiries received	1,421
Total number of emails received	1,180
Total number of phone calls received	241
Total number of fines issued	5

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**For further information, please contact:**

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