



Interoffice Memorandum

Date: August 22, 2025

To: Health & Social Services Committee

From: Dr. Robert Kyle

Subject: Health Information Update – August 17, 2025

Health
Department

Please find attached the latest links to health information from the Health Department and other key sources that you may find of interest. Links may need to be copied and pasted directly in your web browser to open, including the link below.

You may also wish to browse the online Health Department Reference Manual available at [Board of Health Manual](#), which is continually updated.

Boards of health are required to “superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by the [Health Protection and Promotion] Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board” (section 4, clause a, HPPA). In addition, medical officers of health are required to “[report] directly to the board of health on issues relating to public health concerns and to public health programs and services under this or any other Act” (sub-section 67.(1), HPPA).

Accordingly, the Health Information Update is a component of the Health Department’s ‘Accountability Framework’, which also may include program and other reports, Health Plans, Quality Enhancement Plans, Durham Health Check-Ups, business plans and budgets; provincial performance indicators and targets, monitoring, compliance audits and assessments; RDPS certification; and accreditation by Accreditation Canada.

Respectfully submitted,

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UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
August 17, 2025

Health Department Media Releases/Publications

tinyurl.com/bdzf75vr

- Tdap and Tdap-IPV Product Updates (Aug 7)

tinyurl.com/yc44d7t9

- Weekly beach test results now available online through Check&Go! Durham (Aug 7)

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA

Employment and Social Development Canada

tinyurl.com/523y3zc3

- New Research Funding Will Help Strengthen Canada's National School Food Program (Aug 6)

Environment and Climate Change Canada

tinyurl.com/bdefy4rc

- First Nations and the Government of Canada make progress on joint climate action (Aug 12)

tinyurl.com/52d63uxx

- Minister Dabrusin – Statement on the conclusion of the resumed Fifth Intergovernmental Negotiating Committee on Plastic Pollution (INC-5.2) (Aug 15)

GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO

Ministry of Colleges, Universities, Research Excellence and Security

tinyurl.com/33d9ufr4

- Ontario Investing \$56.8 Million to Expand Nursing Enrollment (Aug 6)

Ministry of Long-Term Care

tinyurl.com/yc7zdejm

- Ontario Investing \$89 Million to Help People Age Safely at Home (Aug 5)

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Canadian Institute for Health Information

tinyurl.com/36pxaubx

- Team-based care in sight as one solution to primary care challenges (Jul 29)

World Health Organization

tinyurl.com/4w59nep7

- On World Breastfeeding Week, countries urged to invest in health systems and support breastfeeding mothers (Aug 5)

tinyurl.com/535ymd43

- WHO designates new WHO-listed Authorities, strengthening global access to quality-assured medical products (Aug 7)