



# Interoffice Memorandum

**Date:** September 19, 2025

**To:** Health & Social Services Committee

**From:** Dr. Robert Kyle

**Subject:** Health Information Update – September 14, 2025

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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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for our Communities*

**UPDATES FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**September 14, 2025**

**Health Department Media Releases/Publications**

**[tinyurl.com/nb977xbv](https://tinyurl.com/nb977xbv)**

- Health Department releases report on climate change and air quality in Durham Region (Sep 4)

**[tinyurl.com/3sj9cd68](https://tinyurl.com/3sj9cd68)**

- Referral to the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program (Sep 4)

**[tinyurl.com/ycx4dfz6](https://tinyurl.com/ycx4dfz6)**

- Food safety at special events (Sep 9)

**GOVERNMENT OF CANADA**

**Prime Minister's Office**

**[tinyurl.com/5n6hmkrc](https://tinyurl.com/5n6hmkrc)**

- Prime Minister Carney announces first projects to be reviewed by the new Major Projects Office (Sep 11)

**Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada**

**[tinyurl.com/39ks4w8y](https://tinyurl.com/39ks4w8y)**

- Government of Canada launches new centre of excellence to support communities with disaster recovery (Sep 3)

**GOVERNMENT OF ONTARIO**

**Ministry of Health**

**[tinyurl.com/muw3bbmk](https://tinyurl.com/muw3bbmk)**

- Chief Medical Officer of Health 2024 Annual Report (Aug 29)

**[tinyurl.com/v6buxk99](https://tinyurl.com/v6buxk99)**

- Ontario Bringing Innovative New Technologies to the Health-Care System Faster (Sep 4)

**[tinyurl.com/ymc37mjd](https://tinyurl.com/ymc37mjd)**

- Ontario Launching New Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm Screening Program (Sep 9)

**Premier's Office**

**[tinyurl.com/24a6st9c](https://tinyurl.com/24a6st9c)**

- Ontario Opens New Medical School in Brampton (Sep 3)

## **OTHER ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Canadian Medical Association**

**[tinyurl.com/yc6ku5me](https://tinyurl.com/yc6ku5me)**

- CMA stands with U.S. doctors, urges decisions be based on science and facts (Sep 4)

**[tinyurl.com/ycy2xaey](https://tinyurl.com/ycy2xaey)**

- Statement – Canada Says, #ScienceMatters! (Sep 10)

### **Office of the Federal Housing Advocate**

**[tinyurl.com/2cm43xdd](https://tinyurl.com/2cm43xdd)**

- Federal Housing Advocate urges government to prioritize non-market housing in a new report (Sep 4)

### **Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner/Ontario**

**[tinyurl.com/fpkn8can](https://tinyurl.com/fpkn8can)**

- Ontario and federal privacy commissioners expand their agreement to strengthen collaboration and information sharing (Sep 11)

### **World Health Organization**

**[tinyurl.com/cbe56sje](https://tinyurl.com/cbe56sje)**

- Over a billion people living with mental health conditions – services require urgent scale-up (Sep 2)

**[tinyurl.com/y3t66hu2](https://tinyurl.com/y3t66hu2)**

- WHO updates list of essential medicines to include key cancer, diabetes treatment (Sep 5)

**[tinyurl.com/yb29ahmd](https://tinyurl.com/yb29ahmd)**

- Cholera kills more people for second consecutive year, while prevention and treatment available (Sep 12)