

CLASS ORDER

made pursuant to Section 22 (5.0.1) of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. H.7

TO: All persons responsible for hosting social gatherings in The Regional Municipality of York:

I, Dr. Karim Kurji, Medical Officer of Health for The Regional Municipality of York, order persons responsible for hosting social gathering in The Regional Municipality of York to take the following actions, **effective 12:01 a.m. on Saturday, September 4, 2021:**

Owners and Operators of Businesses Permitted to be Open Under the Reopening Ontario Act

1. Persons responsible for hosting social gatherings in private dwellings and/or in commercial premises shall maintain a list of names and contact information for the social gathering attendees and, upon request, provide York Region Public Health (YRPH) with this information within 24 hours of the request, or other time specified, for COVID-19 case and contact tracing.
2. Provide YRPH with other information regarding the social gathering requested by YRPH within 24 hours of the request, or other time specified, for COVID-19 case and contact tracing.
3. Comply with all requirements that apply to your social gathering as set out under the Reopening Ontario (A Flexible Response to COVID-19) Act, 2020 (the "ROA") and the applicable regulations. Where this Order imposes an additional requirement not set out in the ROA, the requirement under this Order must be followed.

THE REASONS for this ORDER are that:

1. COVID-19 has been designated as communicable under Ontario Regulation 135/18 as amended. COVID-19 has been declared a pandemic by the World Health Organization.
2. COVID-19 is present in York Region and therefore poses a risk to the health of the residents of the Region through community transmission. The COVID-19 virus is spread from an infected person to a close contact primarily by direct contact or when respiratory secretions from the infected person enter the eyes, nose or mouth of another person.

I am of the opinion, on reasonable and probable grounds, that:

- a. a communicable disease exists or may exist or there is an immediate risk of an outbreak of a communicable disease in the health unit served by me;
- b. the communicable disease presents a risk to the health of persons in the health unit served by me; and
- c. the requirements specified in this Order are necessary in order to decrease or eliminate the risk to health presented by the communicable disease.

I am also of the opinion that the delivery of notice of this Order to each and every member of the class is likely to cause a delay that could significantly increase the risk to the health of any person residing in the health unit, so notice shall be provided through the public media and the internet via posting on the [York Region public website](#).

The following definitions apply to this Order:

"York Region Public Health" means the Medical Officer of Health or York Region Public Health staff acting under the direction of the Medical Officer of Health.

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE THAT each member of the class is entitled to a hearing by the Health Services Appeal and Review Board if the member has delivered to me and to the Health Services Appeal and Review Board, 151 Bloor Street West, 9th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5S 1S4, notice in writing, requesting a hearing within 15 days after publication of this Order or otherwise in accordance with applicable law.

At the time of this Order, all requests for appeals and reviews, submissions, materials, and inquiries must be sent to the Health Services Appeal and Review Board by e-mail to hsarb@ontario.ca or faxed at 416-327-8524. See: <http://www.hsarb.on.ca/> for current information.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT although a hearing may be requested this Order takes effect when it is delivered to a member of the class or brought to the attention of a member of the class.

FAILURE to comply with this Order is an offence in accordance with section 100 of the Health Protection and Promotion Act for which you may be liable, on conviction, to a fine of not more than \$5,000 for every day or part of each day on which the offence occurs or continues.



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This Order shall be posted on the York Region public website: [York Region public website](#).

Inquiries about this Order should be directed to York Region Public Health at: yr.corporate.communications@york.ca