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Hello Everyone,

### Getting Prepared - Planning for the Vaccine Roll-out

Safe and reliable vaccines can help protect you and your family from COVID-19. They are an important tool to help stop the spread of the virus and will allow all of us to safely resume to normal life.

As you are most likely aware, the government is rolling out a three-phase vaccination distribution plan. **KW Habilitation** has been advocating for the Developmental Services sector to be included in priority access to COVID-19 vaccinations and working closely with our provincial government and local health authorities.

According to the [Region of Waterloo website](#), the vaccination program is currently in Phase 1. As supply increases, the vaccine will become available to additional populations at greatest risk of COVID-19 and those who care for them. As it stands now, KW Habilitation is slated for the Phase 2 distribution planning.

We want to get prepared and ready to roll for when Public Health notifies us that it is our turn. In the meantime, we stay vigilant by following emergency orders, practicing infection protection and control measures and educating one another about getting vaccinated against Covid-19.

Please check out the [vaccination information](#) on our website:

- [H-CARDD Information](#)
- [Things to Know about the Covid-19 Vaccine](#)
- [What Happens when I get the Vaccine](#)
- [Vaccine Information and Education](#)
- [Covid -19 Vaccine Social Story](#) (clear language)

KW Habilitation promotes the “roll up your sleeve” campaign. The vaccine for Covid-19 is safe for most people, however there are some people who should not get the shot (e.g. allergy to any of the things used to make the vaccine, those under the age of 16.) Please speak to your healthcare practitioner should you have any concerns or questions regarding your or your loved one’s personal situation.

Stronger Together,

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