

September 29, 2025

RE: Update to Abrysvo™ and Arexvy for Older Adults for the 2025-2026 RSV Prevention Program

Dear Long Term Care Homes and Retirement Homes,

This memo follows our September 9th, 2025 communication regarding the RSV Prevention Program. As the fall respiratory season begins, Hamilton Public Health continues to review the allocation of doses received from the Ministry and compare this supply against the needs of Hamilton residents.

At this time, due to limited supply, Abrysvo™ will only be released to Health Care Providers for administration to pregnant individuals.

We are asking you to vaccinate eligible individuals aged 60+ exclusively with Arexvy moving forward.

As a reminder, Ontario's publicly funded high-risk older adult RSV vaccine program eligibility for the 2025-26 fall season is as follows:

- all individuals aged 75 and older (*new for the 2025-26 season*)
- individuals 60 to 74 years of age who are also:
 - residents of long-term care homes, Elder Care Lodges, or retirement homes including similar settings (e.g., co-located facilities).
 - patients in hospital receiving alternate level of care (ALC) including similar settings (for example, complex continuing care, hospital transitional programs)
 - patients with glomerulonephritis (GN) who are moderately to severely immunocompromised.
 - patients receiving hemodialysis or peritoneal dialysis.
 - recipients of solid organ or hematopoietic stem cell transplants.
 - individuals experiencing homelessness.
 - individuals who identify as First Nations, Inuit, or Métis.

Please note, if an individual has previously received a dose of RSV vaccine, they do not need to receive another dose this season, as booster doses are not currently recommended.

To place an order, please complete the attached order form and submit by email to PublicHealth.Medorders@hamilton.ca or by fax to 905-546-3472.

When ordering, please allow 24-48 hours for processing and ensure that you attach 4 weeks of refrigerator temperatures.



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Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 897
Hamilton, ON L8N 3P6
www.hamilton.ca

Public Health Services, Vaccine Program
110 King Street West, 2nd Floor, Hamilton, ON L8P 4S6
Phone: 905-546-2424 Ext 2161
Fax: 905-546-3472

If your Long-Term Care Home/Retirement Home is in need of support to administer RSV vaccines please reach out to our Nurse Intake line at 905-546-2424 ext 7556.

We thank you in advance for your continued support and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael Bush", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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City of Hamilton – Public Health Services



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Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) Prevention Program Vaccine Order Form

Facility Name: _____ Client ID#: _____

Address: _____
Street # Street Name City

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Order Instructions:

1. Review your current inventory and include number of doses in stock.
2. Please order **only what you plan to use at your clinic** of RSV vaccine and reorder as needed.
3. Fax or email this completed form to:
905-546-3472 or publichealth.medorders@hamilton.ca

RSV Vaccine Products	Doses in stock	Doses requested
Arexvy 0.5mL Approved for Older adults 75+ and Individuals 60 to 74 yrs who meet eligibility.		

Storage and Handling:

To ensure optimal protection, all RSV vaccines must be maintained at a temperature between +2°C and +8°C and this temperature must always be monitored to ensure the cold chain is maintained. Please refer to the product monograph for more information on storage and handling. For additional information on provincial vaccine storage and handling requirements, please refer to the Vaccine Storage and Handling Guidelines.

RSV orders will be filled based on product availability and processed within 4 business days when accompanied by the most current 4 weeks of temperature log (including up to present day). Please note, orders may be adjusted.