

DR for October 21

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Hi Dom and Bonny,

Please see attached the DR for October 21.

News bullets:

- Alberta announced that the province will no longer be testing people without COVID-19 symptoms and have not had contact with anyone who has been infected, in order to reduce wait times and focus on priority groups. Appointments that have already been booked will be kept up to Nov. 4.
- Just over 24,000 COVID-19 tests were completed on Monday, which marks the lowest number of tests Ontario has processed on a single day since Sept. 9. Despite an increase in testing capacity, appointment slots are remaining empty since the change over from first-come-first-serve lineups at assessment centres to an online appointment system.
- Ontario Attorney General Doug Downey introduced a new bill on Tuesday which, if passed, will provide liability protection to some workers, businesses and non-profits against COVID-19 exposure-related lawsuits in Ontario. The bill will not prevent lawsuits against those who willfully, or through "gross negligence", endanger others.

Thanks,



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