

**Date:** March 25, 2026

**From:** Dr. Dueck, Medical Officer of Health

**Re:** Infant and High-Risk Children RSV Prevention Program Extension

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This memo shares an update from the Ministry of Health, regarding the RSV prevention programs for infants and high-risk children.

The Ministry of Health has noted their materials indicate that the RSV season generally concludes at the end of March; however, based on epidemiological data (percent positivity and hospitalizations), community transmission of RSV is ongoing. Despite RSV positivity in Ontario having peaked among young children the week of January 18, 2026, positivity is variable across the province and overall remains high, particularly among infants and children.

**As a result, the Ministry of Health has advised that the RSV prevention program for infants and high-risk children will extend into April 2026.**

**Actions for health care providers:**

- Health care providers should continue to administer immunizations to [eligible infants and children](#) until the Ministry of Health circulates communication to mark the end of the 2025-2026 program.
- The decision to administer maternal vaccination should take into consideration the timing of administration during pregnancy (i.e., between 32-36 weeks gestation) and the upcoming timing for the end of the season.
- Guidance for the 2026-2027 program will be provided leading up to the fall and will include recommendations for those infants and children who receive RSV protection late this season.