

Preparing for your COVID-19 vaccine appointment at St. Michael's Hospitals

About the COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic:

Location:

St. Michael's Hospital – Peter Gilgan Patient Care Tower
 (Northeast corner of Queen Street and Victoria Street)
 36 Queen Street East, Toronto, ON M5B 1W8

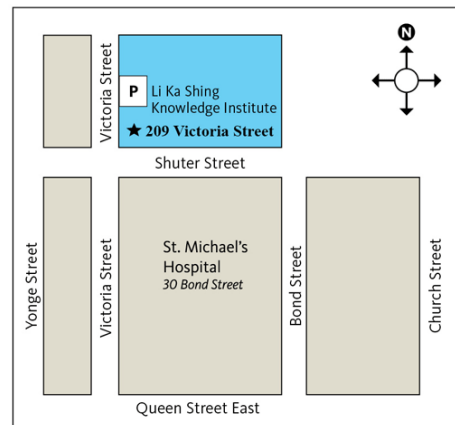


Please do not arrive to your appointment more than 10 minutes in advance.

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Parking Information:

St. Michael's offers public parking open 24 hours, 7 days a week.

The entrance to the parking garage is located at 209 Victoria Street on the western side of the Li Ka Shing Knowledge Institute (the Keenan Research Centre).

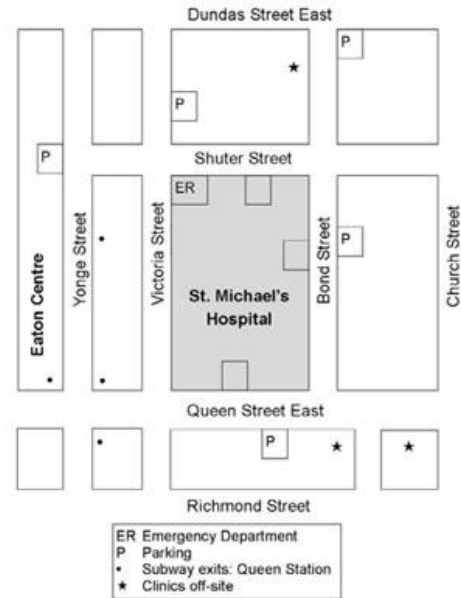


Rates	
Daily rate	\$5 per half hour
Daily maximum (9 a.m. - 7 p.m.)	\$20
Evening and weekend flat rate	\$8
Event flat rate	\$15

There are several other options close by, including:

- A Green P lot across from the hospital's Queen St. entrance
- Behind Metropolitan United Church on the east side of Bond St.
- Eaton Centre, located one block west on Yonge St. at Shuter St. (enter from Shuter St.)

Public Transit: The hospital is located one block east of the Queen subway station on the Yonge-University subway (Line 1). The nearest subway station is Queen Station.



What to expect at your appointment:

At this point in time, our clinics at Unity Health are vaccinating with the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines.

Only those with scheduled appointments will be allowed to enter. You may bring one support person if you have a language barrier or a significant mobility issue.

What to wear:

- Wear a shirt that allows your arm to be easily accessed (example: button down shirt or t-shirt)
- Wear a mask

What to bring:

- Your health card or other government-issued photo ID, if you have one. You can still receive a vaccine if you do not have a health card or government-issued ID.

- Printed and completed consent form. If you answered yes to any of the questions on the consent form, we may not be able to vaccinate you. Please speak to your healthcare provider before your appointment.

What to expect when I arrive:

The appointment is expected to be approximately 30 minutes to 1 hour.

- **At the entrance:** Wait in the line outside. We aim to keep wait times as short as possible but ask that you dress appropriate for the weather
- **Screening:** You will be asked if you have any COVID-19 symptoms or exposures
- **Registration:** A member of the clinic team will check you into the clinic's registration system.
- **Get the vaccine:** A member of the vaccination team will review the consent form with you and give you the vaccine.
- **Recovery:** Wait in the recovery area for 15 minutes after your vaccination.
- **Check out:** Check out from the clinic and receive instructions related to your second dose.

After you receive the COVID-19 vaccine:

Similar to medications and other vaccines, the COVID-19 vaccine can cause mild side effects that do not last very long. The most common side effects include:

- pain
- redness or swelling at the injection site
- tiredness
- headache
- muscle pain
- chills
- joint pain
- fever

A cool damp cloth where the vaccine was given may help with soreness and, if needed, pain or fever medication (such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen) may help with pain or fever.

Serious side effects after receiving the vaccine are rare. If you develop any of the following serious reactions within three days of receiving the vaccine, seek medical attention right away or call 911 if you are severely unwell:

- hives
- swelling of the face or mouth
- trouble breathing
- very pale colour and serious drowsiness
- high fever (over 40°C)
- convulsions or seizures
- other serious symptoms (e.g., “pins and needles” or numbness)

Getting the second dose of COVID-19 vaccine:

In order for your body to build up protection against the virus, you will need to receive a second dose at St. Michael’s Hospital.

You will receive confirmation of your second dose appointment after you receive your first dose. If a cancellation is required for second dose appointments, please contact the clinic at 416-864-5802.

How to stay safe:

Continue to follow public health measures including wearing a mask, staying at least 2 metres from others and limiting/avoiding contact with others outside your household even if you are vaccinated.