Public Health Sudbury & Districts Budget 2025

December 2, 2024
City of Greater Sudbury Finance & Administration Committee

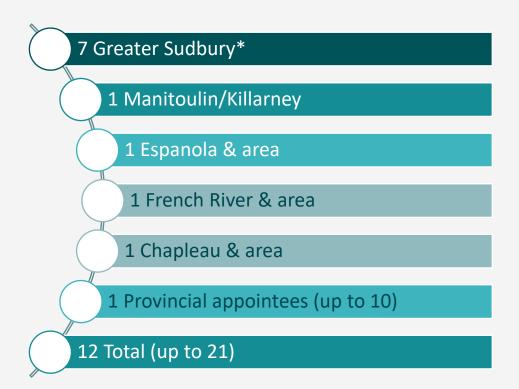
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We are Public Health

Board of Health

Members and areas



^{*}At least one councillor; at least one non-councillor.

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2025 Operating Budget

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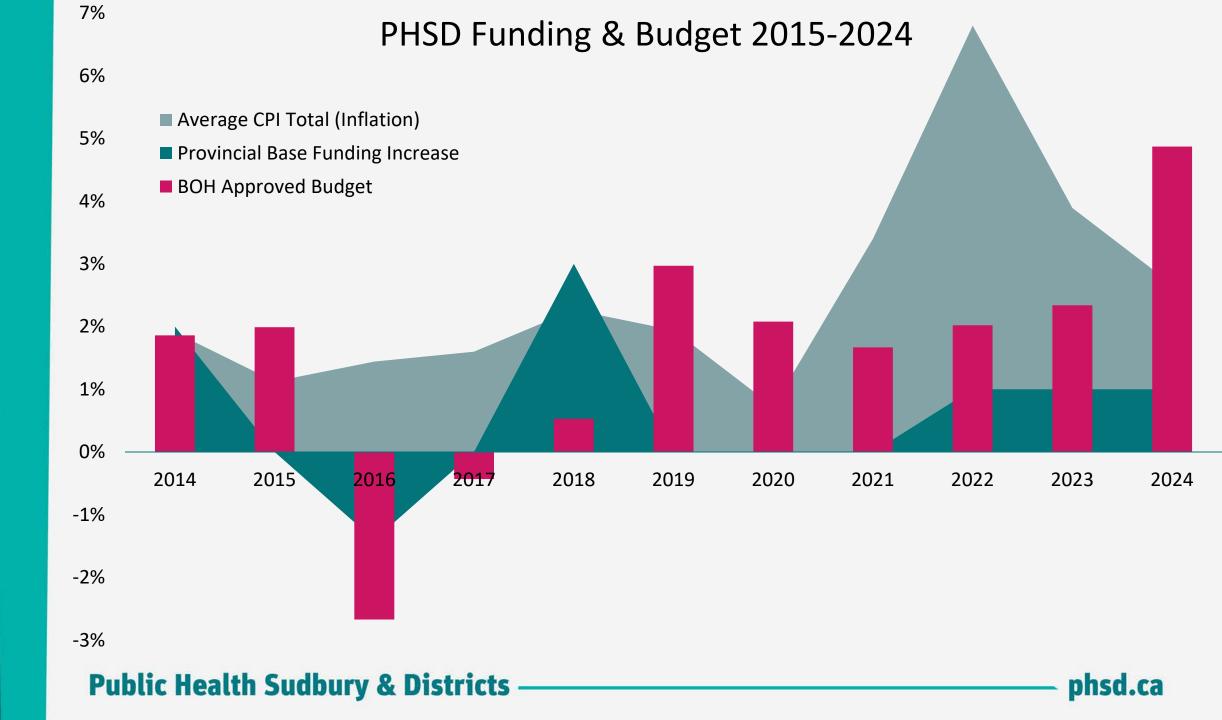
Outline

- Legal, Political, & Macroeconomic Context
- Operational Pressures
- Difficult Choices Made
- Budget Summary
- Levy Implications

Health Protection & Promotion Act

Payment by obligated municipalities

- 72 (2) In discharging their obligations under subsection (1), the obligated municipalities in a health unit shall ensure that the amount paid is sufficient to enable the board of health,
 - (a) to provide or ensure the provision of health programs and services in accordance with sections 5, 6 and 7, the regulations and the public health standards; and
 - (b) to comply in all other respects with this Act and the regulations.



Guidance from Board Members

• Desire to limit the size of budget growth in 2025



Newsroom

NEWS RELEASE

Ontario Investing in a Stronger Public Health Sector

Province also increasing funding to municipalities to connect people to paramedics and ambulance services faster

August 22, 2023 Health

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LONDON — The Ontario government is taking an important step forward to deliver on <u>Your Health: A Plan for Connected and Convenient Care</u> by increasing provincial funding for public health agencies to build a robust public health sector that has the support and resources needed to connect people to faster, more convenient care in their communities.

Starting January 1, 2024, the province will restore \$47 million in provincial annual base funding for public health units, which is the level previously provided under the 75 per cent provincial / 25 per cent municipal cost-share ratio. The province is also providing local public health units an annual one per cent funding increase over the next, three years so they can more effectively plan ahead and prepare. This will also allow time for the province to collaborate with municipalities on a longer-term sustainable funding agreement that will not put any additional financial burden on municipalities.

"Building a stronger public health system, with more convenient and consistent access to public health services, is one more way our government is connecting people in Ontario to health care closer to home," said Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Minister of Health. "The pandemic showed that we need a stronger public health system and this increased funding will help to create a more connected public health system that will support Ontario communities for years to come."

The province will also work with its partners to refine and clarify the roles of local public health

- 1. Voluntary Mergers
- 2. Review of Ontario Public Health Standards
- 3. New Funding Model

Salaries & Benefits Growing Faster than CPI

Budget Component	% Increase	070/
Benefits	15%	X /%
Salaries	Per CBAs	
		of the Budget

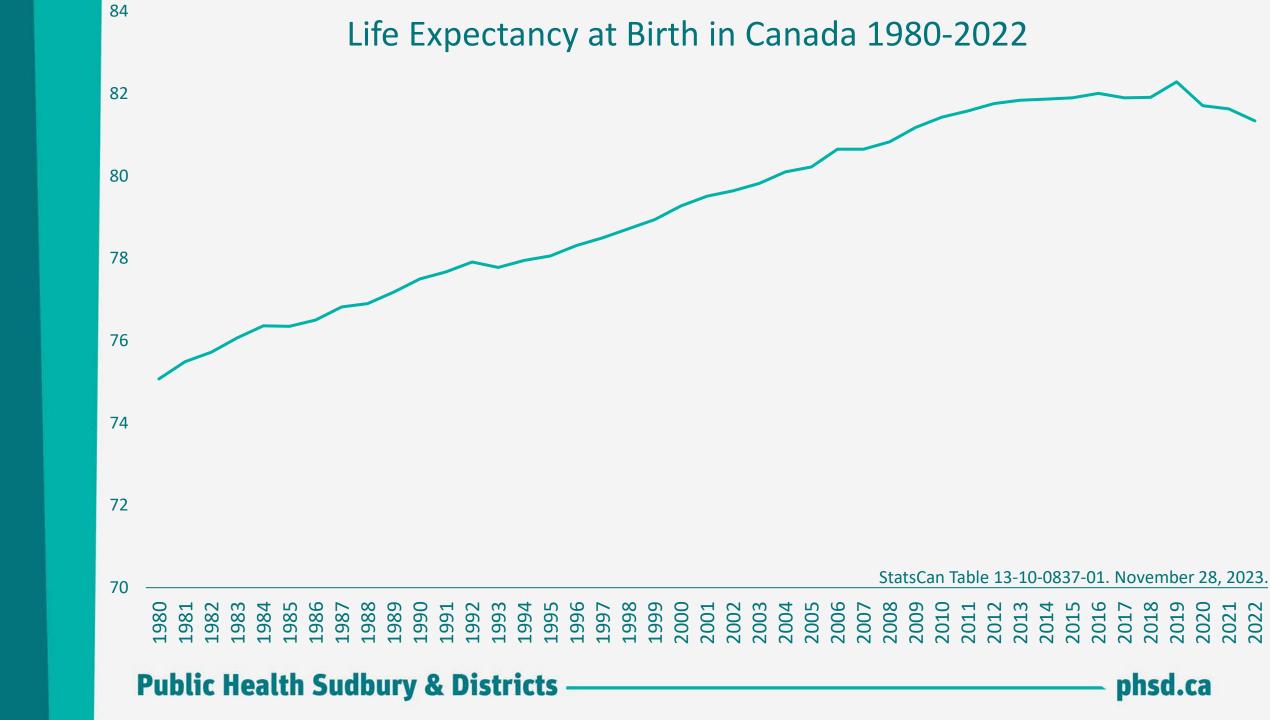
Staying Status Quo in Budget 2025

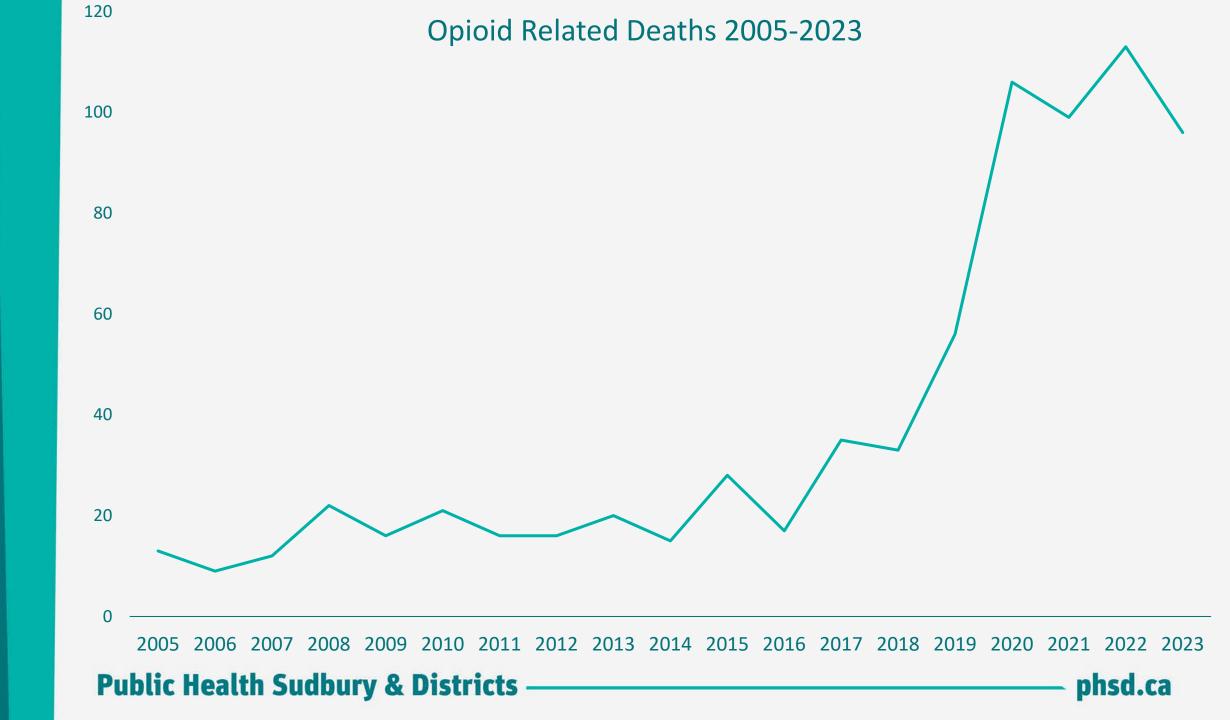
Growth in Expenditures to Stay Status Quo

\$1,076,444 (3.58%)



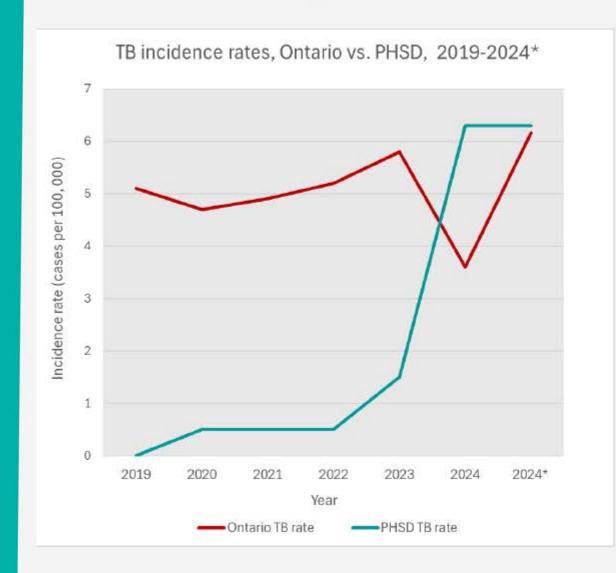
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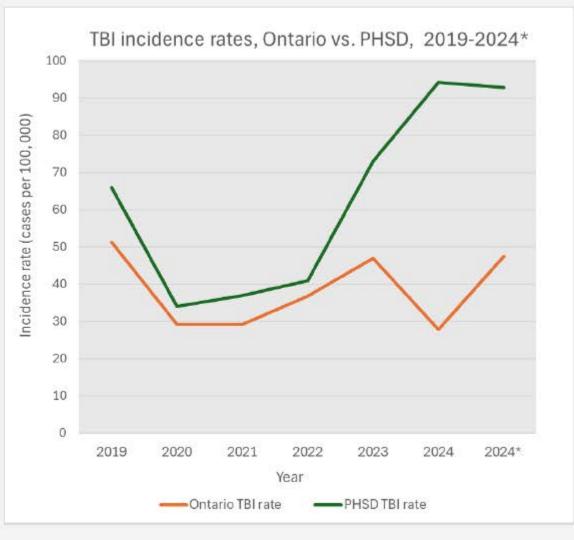


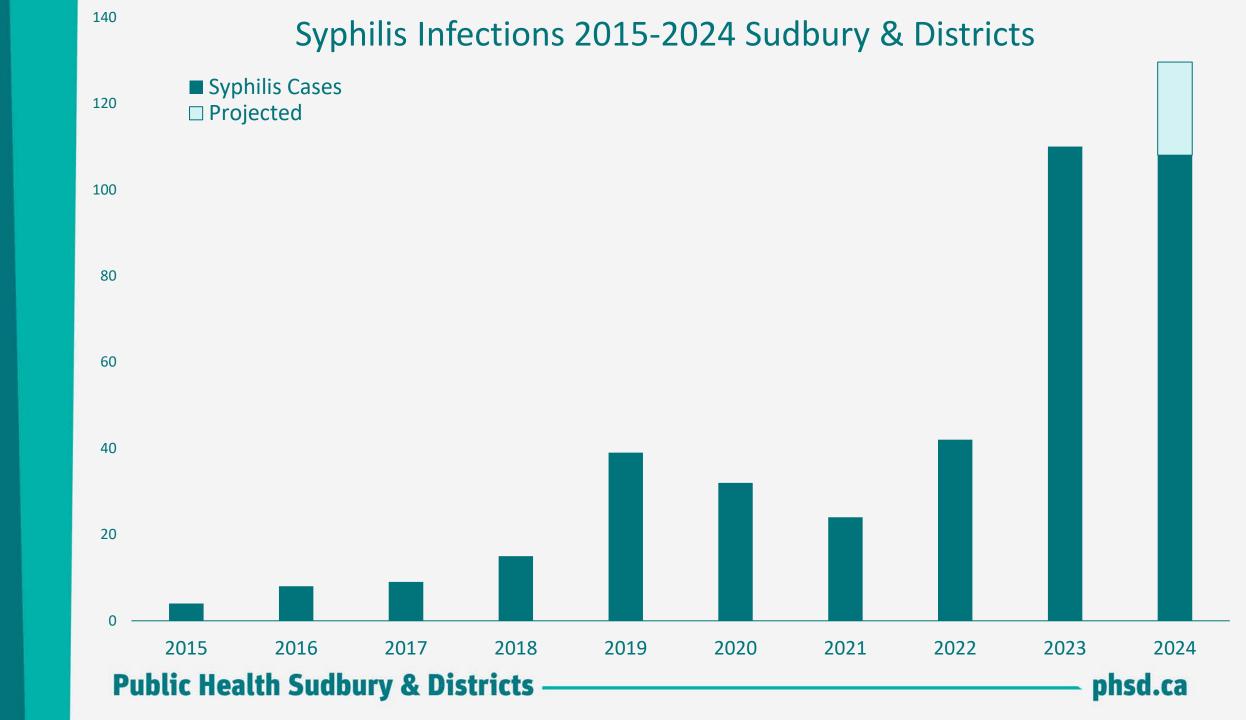


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Tuberculosis, Ontario vs. Public Health, 2019-2024*







Vaccination Pressures

- COVID-19 vaccination work
 - No ongoing funding
- RSV program Introduction
 - No increase to base funding
- Changing demographics (international records and complex catch up schedules)
- Vaccine hesitancy and misinformation

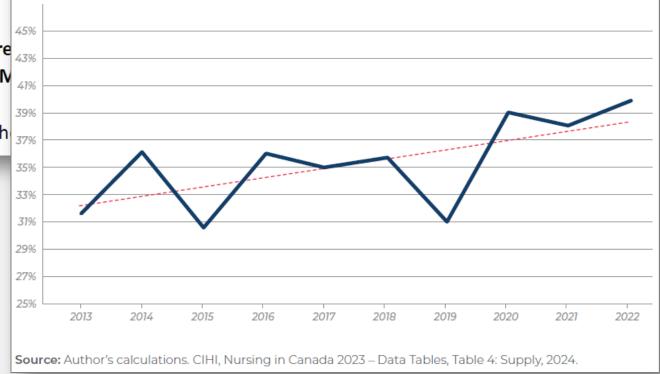
Recruitment & Retention of Staff



Proportion of young nurses leaving to young nurses entering the profession, Canada, 2013–2022

Ontario: 35 out of every 100 new nurses are new N

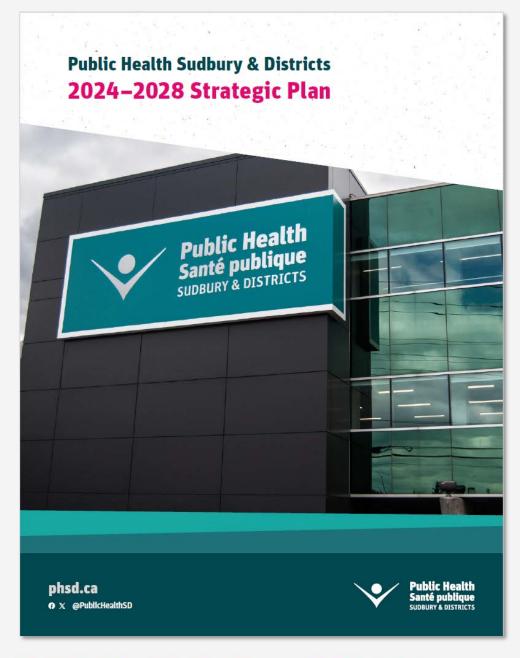
Across Canada, 40 young nurses left th



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Backbone Service Pressures

- IT Project backlog from pandemic emergency response
- Health Sector Cyber Capability Gap
- Recruitment challenges for IT
- Manual administration of repetitive tasks



- Equal Opportunities for Health
- Impactful Relationships
- Excellence in Public Health Practice
- Healthy & Resilient Workforce



Revenue

Expenditures

Provincial Grants

Sustainability & Investment

Levy Funding

Service Levels

Risk in Financial Assumptions

Sustainability and Investments

- Sustainability of Services
 - Additional staffing to areas with operational pressures
 - Consulting work to support HR & recruitment challenges
- Investing in Technology
 - IT security
 - Modern accounting/HR/payroll system
- Demonstrating Impact & Outcome
 - Small increase in research & data staffing
- Fostering Culture & Engagement
- Implementing the Indigenous Engagement Strategy

Revenue

Expenditures

Provincial Grants

Sustainability & Investment

Levy Funding

Service Levels

Risk in Financial Assumptions

Service Level Changes

- No new programs, no increase to service levels
- Ensuring cost neutrality of septic system inspections
- Discontinuing services outside of core mandate
 - Health hazard investigations that fall outside of public health mandate (e.g. housing, rodent, insect, garbage, and complaints related to lack of heat)
- Discontinuing services with lower impact
 - Beach inspections
- Enhanced risk adjustment to Public Health Inspections
 - Reduced frequency of inspections in some premises
 - Inspection for complaints only in Class C Recreational Water facilities (e.g. splash pads)
- Reduced operating costs

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Budget Change	
Inflationary Pressure & Budget Right-Sizing	(\$891,061)
Investment Income Increase Assumption	\$140,000
Net changes to operations	\$113,024
Levy Increase	\$638,037
	\$0.00



Net Benefits Change					
4.10%	1				



Levy impact to City of Greater Sudbury

	Percentage	Dollar Value
Provincially Mandated Programs	-0.2%	(821286)
Contribution to Capital Increase due to Inflation	1.2%	4,031,110
Municipal Services (Net of Assessment Growth)	0.5%	1,671,770
Municipal Services Cost Changes	1.5%	4,881,594
Special Capital Levy	1.5%	5,518,214
Total Municipal Services and Special Capital Levy	3.0%	10,399,808
Service Partners	0.3%	1,075,767
Greater Sudbury Police Services	1.4%	4,906,296
Council Directed Property Tax Increase	4.7%	16,381,871

Levy Percentage Points

0.15%



Questions & Discussion



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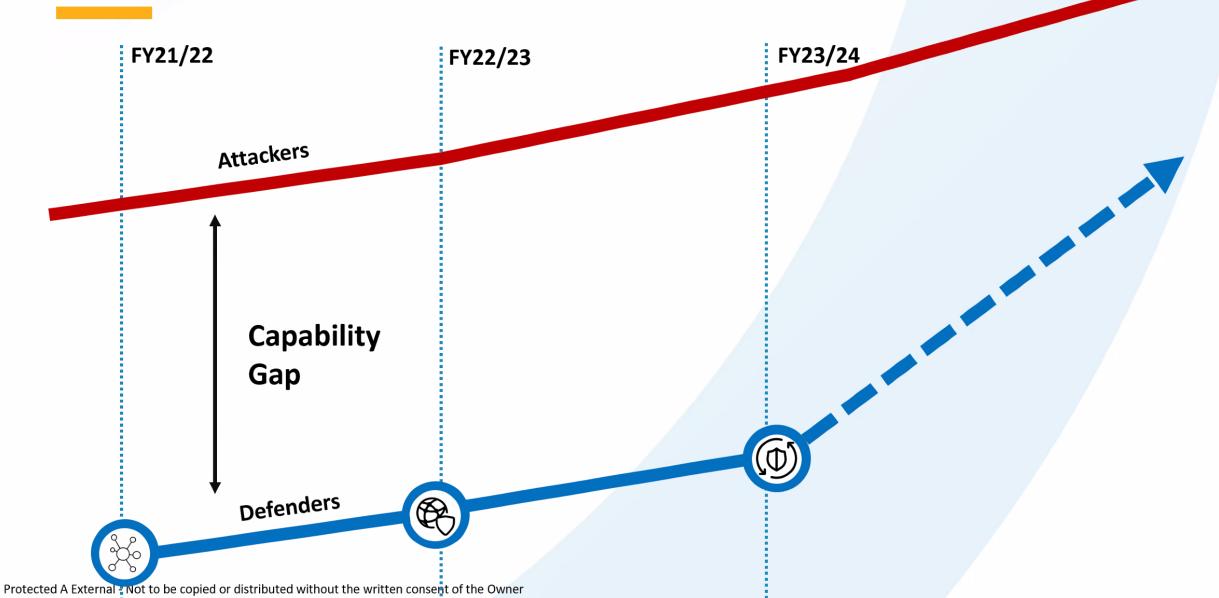
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Health Sector Cyber Capability Gap



PHU Role for COVID-19 Vaccine

- PHUs are responsible for ensuring there is access to COVID-19 vaccine in their region
- If COVID-19 vaccine is not available through other channels in a PHU region, PHUs are expected to administer (e.g. COVID-19 vaccine for children under 5)
- If other channels are providing COVID-19 vaccine in the PHU region, PHUs are expected to direct the public to these specific pharmacies or clinics
 - MOH is providing a resource to assist PHUs with this. MOH is exploring whether the PVCC may also be able to direct the public to these pharmacies as well.
- As requested, MOH is working on a detailed roles document to provide clarity on roles and expectations

