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## GTHA Mayors and Chairs look forward to details of provincial proof of vaccination program

"Today, Mayors and Chairs from the 11 largest municipal governments across the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area held their regular weekly meeting to discuss the ongoing response to COVID-19 across the region.

With COVID-19 cases continuing to rise across the GTHA and the province, the Mayors and Chairs discussed the work each municipality is doing to drive up vaccination rates and support school boards as kids go back to school.

The Mayors and Chairs understand the Province is developing plans for a proof of vaccination program and we should hear about those this week. We are pleased that the Government of Ontario is moving in this direction and look forward to hearing more details very soon.

We believe such a province-wide system accompanied by appropriate guidelines for implementation will be crucial to protecting the progress we have made fighting COVID-19 and will help us all combat a fourth wave and the Delta Variant – both of which represent continuing challenges to the significant progress made to date."

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