

April 29, 2021 Update

COVID-19 Update: Ontario to introduce paid COVID-19 leave



The Ontario government will introduce legislation today which, if passed, will offer up to three paid sick days per employee.

The proposed legislation will require employers to provide employees with up to \$200 per day for up to three days if they are missing work because of COVID-19. This program will be retroactive from April 19, 2021 and in effect until September 25, 2021, the date the Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit (CRSB) will expire.

The province has also offered to provide funding to the federal government to double [Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit](#) payments to Ontario residents, adding an additional \$500 per week to eligible individuals for a total of \$1,000 per week.

Combined with the province's proposed three days of paid COVID-19 leave, doubling the CRSB would provide Ontario workers with access to the most generous pandemic paid leave in the country.

Get more information and updates about the proposed Ontario COVID-19 paid leave days [here](#).

[Benefits](#) currently available:

- [Canada Recovery Benefit](#)
- [Canada Recovery Sickness Benefit](#)
- [Canada Recovery Caregiving Benefit](#)

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