



## STATEMENT ON STEP TWO OF THE ROADMAP TO REOPEN

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"I applaud the Province's efforts in taking a cautious approach to ensure we remain safe as we continue to fully vaccinate residents and it is welcome news that the Province has just announced we are moving to Step Two of the Roadmap to Reopen at 12:01am on Wed, June 30. This will allow for personal care services to reopen with the proper protocols in place which I have advocated for.

However, while I am pleased with the progression, with the vaccination progress and reduction in hospitalizations, I feel this roadmap is overly cautious. We need to be looking at moving to Step 3 as all of the provinces previously indicated requirements have been met. Moving to Step 3 is not rushing as the entire Province has met the requirements of Step 3 and as it is as restrictive as the former "red Zone" this is the proper balance and cautious approach that continues to keep everyone safe while we allow our businesses to begin to recover. The data supports this opening and the time is now to make this move."

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