

## Indoor air quality consultations for community spaces and congregate settings

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Do you work at a community space or congregate setting (like a shelter or a group home)? Would you like advice about reducing transmission of COVID-19 through indoor air quality measures like ventilation and filtration? Here's your chance! You can ask questions about HVAC systems, portable air filters, UV disinfection, and more! These sessions are open to anyone working in community spaces including facility managers; people responsible for infection prevention and control; and workers who have questions about how indoor air quality measures can help make workplaces safer for everyone.

**What:** A free, 20 minute, online consultation with indoor air quality experts from the University of Toronto.

**When:** June 7 and 21 & July 12 and 19

**What time:** Each date, we have two 20 minute online appointments available. The first one starts at 11:00 am, and the second one starts at 11:25 am.

**How to register:** To schedule an online appointment please contact Pearl Buhariwala at: [Pearl.Buhariwala@unityhealth.to](mailto:Pearl.Buhariwala@unityhealth.to). Please include preferred appointment day and time, the type of facility, and any specific questions.

**How you can prepare:** Please explore [this backgrounder](#) about reducing transmission of COVID-19 using indoor air quality measures. Please also bring as much specific information as possible. For example, if you have questions about your HVAC system, find out as much about it as you can before the appointment.

### About our experts:

**Dr. Jeff Siegel** is a professor in the Department of Civil & Mineral Engineering at University of Toronto. He holds joint appointments at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health and the Department of Physical & Environmental Sciences. His research interests include healthy and sustainable buildings, ventilation and indoor air quality.

**Dr. Amy (Tianyuan) Li** is an assistant professor in the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering at University of Waterloo. Her research focuses on the impact of filtration devices on indoor air quality.

**Why we're doing this:** Evidence demonstrates that indoor air quality measures such as ventilation and filtration reduce transmission of COVID-19. Indoor air quality measures should be part of every facility's plan for infection prevention and control.

**Please note:** these consultations are offered for informational purposes only, and do not replace or remove the need for on-site advice from licensed professionals. We are not responsible for the way you or your organization apply the information shared during this session. Please also note that we are not engineers or medical professionals.