



## BERNARDS TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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# 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Weekly Update #59 – January 14, 2021

As of January 14, 2021, the following groups are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine:

- ✓ Paid or unpaid persons working or volunteering in a healthcare setting
- ✓ Residents of long-term care facilities and other congregate settings
- ✓ Frontline first responders
- ✓ Persons aged 65 and older
- ✓ Persons aged 16 to 64 years old who have at least one chronic medical condition that poses high-risk for severe COVID-19:
  - Cancer
  - Chronic Kidney Disease
  - Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
  - Down Syndrome
  - Heart conditions (e.g. heart failure, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies)
  - Immunocompromised (weakened immune system) due to organ transplant (consult with your doctor)
  - Obesity (e.g. body mass index of 30kg/m<sup>2</sup> or higher)
  - Pregnancy (consult with your doctor)
  - Sickle cell disease
  - Smoking
  - Type 2 diabetes mellitus

These groups can start making vaccination appointments. More groups will become eligible in the coming weeks.

For a list of open vaccination sites nearest to you and register for a COVID-19 vaccine visit [covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://covid19.nj.gov/vaccine)



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### COVID-19 Vaccine IMPORTANT Links

- **Pre-Register** for the Vaccine through NJVSS (NJ Vaccine Scheduling System) – <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/>
- **Healthcare Workers/Phase 1A** – Look for a location to receive a vaccine here <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/healthcare-worker-covid-19-vaccine-locations>.
- **Learn more about the COVID-19 Vaccination** – COVID19.NJ.GOV has been updated to include important information about the vaccine including how COVID-19 vaccines work, vaccine trials and safety precautions, timelines and priority groups, and where and how to get vaccinated. Visit at <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>
- **New Jersey Department of Health**
  - **Subscribe to Vax Matters** - <https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/to pics/vmsignup.shtml>
  - **NJDOH COVID-19 Vaccine page** [https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/to pics/covid2019\\_vaccination.shtml](https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/to pics/covid2019_vaccination.shtml)
- **New Jersey's Phased Approach to COVID-19 Vaccination: 1A** <https://www.state.nj.us/health/cd/documents/topics/NCOV/VaccinePhaseFactSheet.pdf>
- **Where will vaccines be available?** <https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/slowing-the-spread/where-how-and-when-can-i-get-vaccinated>



### Bernards Township COVID-19 Testing

See below information for upcoming COVID-19 Testing on **January 21, 2021**

*St. Joseph's Church* [Register Here!](#)  
*8 West Main Street* [View flyer here \(English\)](#)  
*Mendham, NJ 07945* [View flyer here \(Spanish\)](#)  
*Beginning at 9 am*



### Somerset County Hope & Healing Program

Through a statewide partnership, Somerset County's Richard Hall Community Mental Health Center is providing crisis counseling to those impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. If you or anyone you know needs to speak with someone, call the Hope & Healing Helpline at **(908) 231-6414 8 am - 8 pm/7 days a week** or email [hopeandhealing@co.somerset.nj.us](mailto:hopeandhealing@co.somerset.nj.us). Trained counselors speak English and Spanish. Available to Somerset County residents and employees. Free and anonymous. Visit: <http://bit.ly/HopeHealProg>

### COVID FAQ Corner

**Q: I have to get another vaccine around the same time as my COVID-19 vaccine. Is that okay?**

**A:** Consult your primary care provider. The COVID-19 vaccine series should be administered alone with a minimum interval of 14 days with other vaccine. This recommendation is based on the lack of data on the safety and efficacy of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines administered simultaneously with other vaccines.

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The Bernards Township Health Department is the contractual health agency serving Bernards Township, Bernardsville Borough, Chester Borough, Long Hill Township, Mendham Borough, and Peapack and Gladstone Borough. For update links and more information, visit: <http://www.bernardshealth.org>

