

#### BERNARDS TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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# 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Update #101 - March 10, 2022

# **Bernards Township COVID-19 Testing Clinics:**

Upcoming COVID-19 testing clinics:

# Thursdays 3/17, 3/24, 3/31

Bernards Township Community Center 289 South Maple Ave, Basking Ridge, NJ



#### Register for 3/17

**English flyer - Spanish flyer** 

- If you cannot attend your scheduled appointment, you do **not** need to cancel.
- Walk-in appointment welcomed.
- If you need testing sooner, <u>check out other testing</u> sites here.

#### **Accessing Test Results**

- Test results will be delivered via phone, text or email. Check your spam folder and missed calls.
- Please allow 48-72 hours to process test results.
- If you do not hear back after 72 hours, please email
   WellCare at wellcarecovidtesting@gmail.com

## **Upcoming BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics**

See below for our upcoming vaccine clinics. All vaccine clinics will be from 3-5 pm at Saint James Church, 184 S. Finley Ave, Basking Ridge, NJ:

Pediatric Pfizer (5-11) - *Mon, Mar 21*1st and 2nd doses available

Pfizer (12+), Moderna and J&J - Tue, Mar 15, 22, 29
Primary series for Pfizer12+ (1st and 2nd doses)
and boosters for 12+, Moderna primary series o
boosters and J&J primary dose or boosters for 18+

Visit www.bernardshealth.org to access registration.

#### **Public Health Emergency Lifted**

At his final COVID-19 press briefing, Governor Murphy announced the signing of <a href="Executive Order #292">Executive Order #292</a> which lifted the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency on Monday, March 7th. However, the State of Emergency declared in <a href="EO 103">EO 103</a> remains in place to ensure that NJ continues to have necessary resources as COVID-19 is managed on an endemic level. To read more and see the EOs <a href="Click here">Click here</a>.

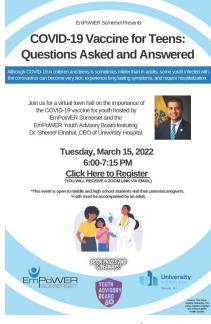
# Children, Teens and the COVID-19 Vaccine

Currently, the CDC recommends everyone ages 5 years and older to get the COVID-19 vaccine to help protect against COVID-19. There are approximately 28 million children between the ages of 5 and 11 years old in the United States and there have been nearly 2 million cases of COVID-19 within this age group during the pandemic. COVID-19 can make children very sick and could lead to hospitalization. In some situations, complications from infection can lead to death.

Children are as likely to be infected with COVID-19 and can get very sick from COVID-19, have both short and long term

complications from COVID-19 and spread COVID-19 to others including at home and school.

Getting a COVID-19 vaccine can not only help protect children age 5-11 from getting COVID-19, but can help protect family members including siblings not eligible for vaccination and family members who may be increased risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. Vaccination can help keep children in school and help them safely participate in sports, playdates and other group activities. Learn more.



Join EmPoWER Somerset for a vaccine awareness event for middle and high school students. Register here.

# **More Free COVID-19 Tests**

In January, every residence was allowed to order 4 free at home COVID-19 test kits. The White House announced that the website to order another 4 free kits is now live. To request a second batch of tests, go to **COVIDtests.gov** and click "Order Free At-Home Tests." From there, you enter your name and residential address. If you're having trouble getting the website to recognize your address, check **here** for common issues.)



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# 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Resources and Links

**COVID-19 Case Graphs per Municipality** – Case counts come directly from raw data imported from Commcare by the Bernards Township Health Department

# **Somerset County**

- Bernards Township
- Bernardsville Borough
- Peapack and Gladstone Boroughs

# **COVID-19 Weekly State Reports**

Provides data on COVID-19 transmission by six regions in NJ:

- Updated every Thursday.
- Used to determine school exclusion and other re-openings.

This week NJ is overall: MODERATE

Central West (Somerset): MODERATE

Northwest (Morris): MODERATE

Click here to view this week's report ending

NJ COVID-19 Variant Surveillance Report Week 7

## **Morris County**

- Chester Borough
- Long Hill Township
- Mendham Borough

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Resources**

- https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/
- https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine
- CDC COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ
- Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System
- Docket App
- V-Safe After Vaccine Health Checker

# **COVID-19 Variant Information**

- CDC Variant Classifications & Definitions
- World Health Organization VOI/VOC Monitoring
- NJDOH COVID-19 Variant FAQs

#### **New Jersey COVID-19 Resources**

- https://covid19.nj.gov/ Visit this webpage to get information on all things COVID-19 in New Jersey.
- COVID-19 New Jersey Dashboard here. Includes vaccination overview, hospital census, case and mortality summaries, school data, contact tracing data, long-term care information, veteran's memorial homes, state psychiatric hospitals and Cases by Municipality Data (Municipalities with populations over 20K)
- Somerset County NJ COVID-19 Status Dashboard available here. More information here.
- Morris County NJ COVID-19 Status Dashboard available <a href="here">here</a>.
- Phone/Text Lines:
  - For COVID-19 Vaccination & Testing 1-855-568-0545 (8am-8pm)
  - For Medical COVID-19 Questions 1-800-962-1253
  - Text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive alerts.
  - Download COVID Alert NJ app here.
- Mental Health Resources
  - NJ Hopeline 24/7 Suicide Prevention Hotline 1-855-654-6735
  - NJ Mental Health Cares Hotline Support from stress and anxiety dealing with COVID-19 866-202-HELP(4357)
- NJ COVID-19 Testing sites click here for the most up to date information.
  - Morris County Click here for Morris County Testing Locations.
  - Somerset County <u>Click here for Somerset County Testing Locations.</u>
  - Order free PCR test kits in NJ
  - Order 4 free Rapid Antigen test kits from the US Government