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# FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND JOINT INFORMATION CENTER COVID-19



## News Release

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### Frederick County Agency Updates for January 15, 2021

**Frederick, MD – January 15, 2021**

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Update:**

Today's clinic was our first one open to people 75 years and older. The clinic was fully booked and we had enough staff and vaccine, but we were using a different layout that has the potential to vaccinate people much faster. There were also technical issues with the state's scheduling program that delayed the process. This did not meet our expectations today and we are working hard to make changes.

To those who had to wait in long lines, we appreciate your patience, and especially the assistance from Frederick County Fire & Rescue Services for providing port-o-potties and space heaters, and Frederick City and Frederick County Department of Public Works for helping with road closures and signs. Today's experience has given us many ideas of how to adjust our future clinics to be more efficient and a better experience for our community. We will be reaching out to people who had appointments for today to make sure they get vaccinations. Information will come to them by the email they used to make their appointment.

#### *When will more appointments be available?*

No additional clinics will be posted until Tuesday, Jan. 19. We have chosen to not open appointments up until we have vaccine in hand because we do not want to promise vaccinations to people and then not be able to deliver.

#### *If I'm in an Assisted Living Facility, do I need to make an appointment?*

If you or your loved one lives in an assisted living facility, you don't need to make an appointment for one of our clinics. Assisted Living Facilities will be scheduled by CVS/Walgreens to receive vaccine directly.

#### *What if I can't register myself online?*

We will be opening a call center next week to help people register by phone.

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*How can I get your updates if I don't text?*

You can sign up to receive our updates by email or text by going to our [Alert Frederick website](#).

We have chosen to not open appointments up until we have vaccine in hand because we do not want to promise vaccinations to people and then not be able to deliver. It is our goal to make appointments available every week for all the doses we have.

Sign up:  
**COVID19**

Full Name  
Mobile Number  
Email Address

**SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT**

OR

TEXT FREDCOVID19 TO 888777

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A sign-up form for COVID-19 updates. It has three input fields: 'Full Name', 'Mobile Number', and 'Email Address'. Below these is a green button labeled 'SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT'. Underneath the button is the text 'OR' followed by 'TEXT FREDCOVID19 TO 888777'. At the bottom, there is a small note: 'Message and data rates may apply. Message frequency varies. [Terms](#) and [privacy](#)'.

### **Frederick County Public Schools:**

COVID-19 Vaccination clinics that are held at Frederick County Public School locations are organized by the Frederick County Health Department. Appointments for eligible people can be made at <http://frederickcountymd.gov/covidvaccine>. Please do not call the school to make appointments or go to the school for a vaccination unless you have an appointment.

### **Senior Services:**

Frederick County Senior Services Division in cooperation with Frederick County Health Department will host a virtual workshop to give older adults, their family and friends step-by-step guidance to the online registration process for Covid-19 vaccine appointments.

The virtual workshop will be conducted on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 1 p.m., by Shawn Dennison, Public Affairs Officer, COVID Division of the Frederick County Health Department.

Join the Zoom meeting at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84359706661>. Pre-registration is not required. Persons new to Zoom may email [virtualseniorcenter@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:virtualseniorcenter@frederickcountymd.gov) for guidance.

For more information about programs and services, please visit: [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/SeniorServices](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/SeniorServices)

A screenshot of a web page titled 'Sign Up for Vaccinations'. The page is part of 'PrepMod Maryland' and features a progress bar with six steps: 'PERSONAL INFORMATION', 'HEALTH HISTORY', 'HEALTH QUESTIONS', 'AGE LEVEL', 'COMFORT FOR SERVICE', 'REVIEW', and 'APPOINTMENT'. Below the progress bar, a note states: 'Pfizer-BIONTECH'S COVID-19 vaccine is for people 16 years and older. Moderna COVID-19 is for people 18 years and older'. The form includes fields for 'First Name\*', 'Last Name\*', 'Mobile Initial', 'Mother's Maiden Name\*', 'Race\*', 'Ethnicity\*', 'Occupation\*', 'Date Of Birth\*', 'Age', 'Gender\*', 'Email Address\*', 'Reserve Email Address\*', 'Primary Phone Number\*', and 'Phone Number Type'. There are also 'Next' and 'Previous' buttons at the bottom.

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