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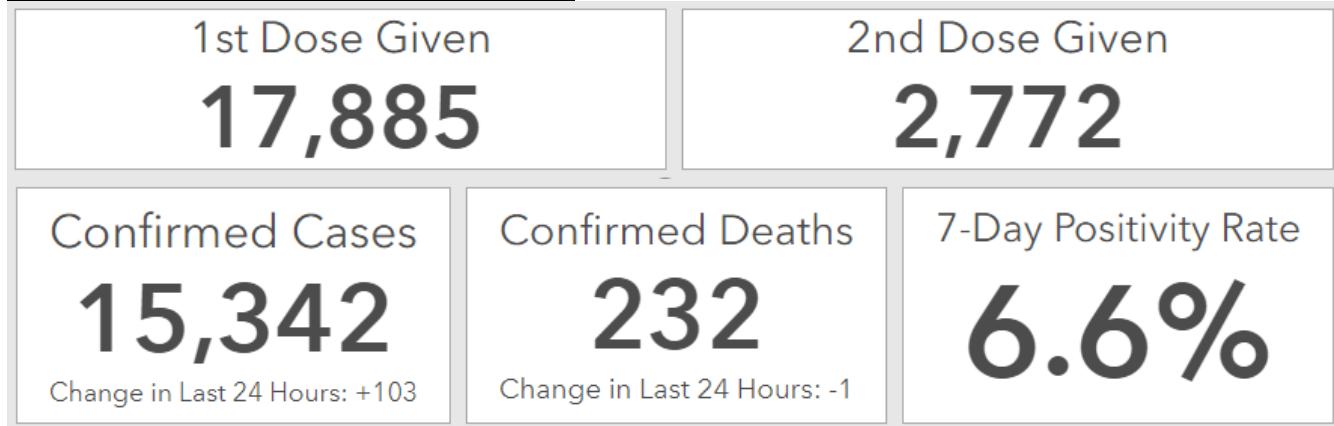
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Frederick County Agency Updates for January 28, 2021

Frederick, MD – January 28, 2021

Frederick County Health Department:



Note: The number of doses of vaccine given includes all vaccinators in the county except for CVS/Walgreens vaccinations at nursing home and assisted living facilities.

The daily change in deaths shows -1 because one death was reassigned to another county.

Please check our dashboard for daily statistics: <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

Update on COVID-19 Vaccine:

10,850 total 1st doses of COVID-19 vaccine received by [Frederick County Health Department](#) to date
3,250 1st doses of COVID-19 vaccine received by [Frederick County Health Department](#) this week
39,190 total Vaccine Interest Forms submitted

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Currently eligible: People in groups 1A, 1B, and 1C are currently eligible, but there is not enough vaccine for everyone who is eligible. Once your group is eligible, it continues to stay eligible.

Currently vaccinating: Frederick County is currently vaccinating people in group 1A and those who are 75 years and older who live or work in Frederick County. At least 100 educators will be vaccinated each week in a randomized selection.

Educators who live or work in Frederick County should complete the Vaccine Interest Form and select 1B Education. Education is defined as licensed day care providers, non-public school K-12, public school K-12, and higher education employees*.

Note: the state has put *higher education front line workers with contact with students living in residence halls, facilities maintenance, dining hall workers and public safety employees in group 1C.

Current Process - Pre-Registering System

Anyone who lives or works in Frederick County who is interested in getting COVID-19 vaccine should complete the Vaccine Interest Form in the blue box on our [Vaccine webpage](#).

Completing this form does NOT make an appointment for you to get the vaccine.

- We will contact people who have registered on this form by priority group as we receive more vaccine.
- You will be contacted by the email you provide in the form. When you are contacted, you will need to register for your appointment online.
- **You only need to complete the form once.**
- It may be several days, weeks, or longer until you are contacted since it depends on vaccine availability.
- If you receive an email with a link to a clinic, please ***do not share that link***. Sharing or posting clinic links takes appointments away from people who are in higher priority groups and is not fair for others. Please be considerate of our community.

Frequently Asked Questions

- What happens if there is bad weather on a day that a vaccination clinic is scheduled?
 - If weather is bad enough to impact travel, clinics may be cancelled or delayed. Anyone with an appointment scheduled for that day will be notified by email of the delay or cancellation, and of any additional plans to reschedule the clinic.
- How can I get on the list to get excess doses that may be available at the end of a clinic?
 - We are not keeping a separate list to contact people for excess doses at the end of clinics. Since we changed our process to the pre-registration form, we will be reaching out to people in the currently eligible priority groups who have pre-registered if we have excess doses.

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- I think my business is essential in 1C. What proof do I need?
 - We are still waiting for more guidance from the state about how they are defining the essential businesses. When we have more detail, we will post it to our website: FrederickCountyMD.gov/CovidVaccine. In general, any occupation-related priority group could provide an ID badge or a letter on letterhead from the company or institution listing the names of the people who would qualify.
- I think my job is essential but it's not listed in the priority groups, is it?
 - Priority groups set by the state and may not include the same groups that were essential in the spring. Anyone with a job that is not specifically stated in the priority groups should determine their priority by their age and health issues.

Senior Services:

The Frederick County Senior Services Division, in cooperation with Frederick County Health Department, will host a virtual workshop to give older adults, their family, friends, caregivers, and others information about continued COVID-19 precautions, current COVID vaccines, and county vaccination prioritization phases.

Dr. Randy Culpepper, Deputy Health Officer and Medical Director of the Frederick County Health Department, will conduct the virtual workshop on Friday, January 29, 2021 at 12:00pm.

No preregistration is required. Participants will be able to join the workshop about 5 minutes before the program begins. The program will utilize the Webex platform, allowing up to 1,000 participants to join the meeting by entering the following code into their browser: <https://bit.ly/36dHU6K>.

The presentation will be simultaneously broadcast via Facebook Live on the Frederick County Senior Services Division Facebook page (@FredCoMDSeniorServices). The Facebook video also will be available for viewing later. For information about programs and services, please visit: www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/SeniorServices.

For more information:

Frederick County residents can call 866-411-6803 to reach our local 211 center with general questions about coronavirus or COVID19. Accurate COVID-19 information is critical to the community. For the most current and accurate information about this situation, please refer to the following:

- City of Frederick: <https://cityoffrederickmd.gov/covid19>
- Frederick County Government: www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus
- Frederick County Health Department: health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): coronavirus.maryland.gov
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): coronavirus.gov

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