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# FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND JOINT INFORMATION CENTER COVID-19



## News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### Frederick County Agency Updates for January 14, 2021

Frederick, MD – January 14, 2021

#### Frederick County Health Department:

Confirmed Cases <b>13,836</b> Change in Last 24 Hours: +160	Confirmed Deaths <b>209</b> Change in Last 24 Hours: +2	7-Day Positivity Rate <b>9.2%</b>
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Please check our dashboard for daily statistics: <http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/COVIDstats>.

#### Update on COVID-19 Vaccine:

##### *Current Phase: 1A*

We are currently vaccinating first responders and licensed health care providers. Please note that this does include groups such as licensed social workers and morticians. We are posting our clinics for 1A on our website: [FrederickCountyMD.gov/CovidVaccine](http://FrederickCountyMD.gov/CovidVaccine). People in 1A need to show proof that they are in 1A when they come to their appointment. **If you are not in 1A, you will not be vaccinated at this time. DO NOT make an appointment now if you're not in 1A until we open to more groups.**

- We are prepared to move to Group 1B when the Governor gives approval.
- All vaccinations are by appointment only. We are not taking walk-ins. Please do not show up at the clinics or make an appointment if you are not in group 1A. People in 1A are required to show proof.

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### Frequently Asked Questions:

- I have been at home for months limiting my exposures. Is it safe for me to come to the clinics?
  - Safety is our first concern. Our clinics are by appointment only to reduce crowds and wait times. All the stations are spread out to allow for ample physical distancing. The vaccination stations are disinfected after each person.
- If I've already had COVID-19, can I get the vaccine?
  - Yes, you can get the vaccine as long as you have finished your isolation. CDC has said that people who've had COVID-19 likely have immunity for up to 90 days, but you can get vaccinated during that time.
- How much will the COVID-19 vaccine cost?
  - There will be no cost for the COVID-19 vaccine. Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurance will cover the cost of the vaccine. The Frederick County Health Department does not charge for the vaccine, the administration of the vaccine, or the clinic visit. We are currently planning vaccination clinics to guarantee fair distribution of the vaccine. More information on vaccination options provided through our communication channels including partners to share broadly when we enter the next phases of distribution.
- How can I make an appointment for the vaccine?
  - Please note that this is not currently available for the majority of the population. When you are eligible to receive a vaccination, you will be given an online link for making your appointment, and a list of available clinic locations and times. If you do not have internet access, we will give you a phone number to call and make an appointment. After you've had your first appointment, you will be given information on how to schedule your second appointment.
- What is the difference between the Moderna and Pfizer vaccine?

**moderna**

- mRNA technology
- No live virus used
- EUA\* December 2020
- 2 doses 28-30 days apart for maximum effectiveness
- 18 years and older

**Pfizer**

**BIONTECH**

- mRNA technology
- No live virus used
- EUA\* December 2020
- 2 doses 17-21 days apart for maximum effectiveness
- 16 years and older

\*EUA - Emergency Use Authorization

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- How will I know when I can get the vaccine?
  - Wondering where you fall in the priority groups for COVID-19 vaccination, or how you'll be able to get the vaccine? We know it's frustrating to hear, but we don't have all those details yet. We will be sharing updates as soon as we know! You can sign up to get our updates by texting FredCoVID19 to 888777.



### **Opt-in for Frederick County COVID-19 Updates**

*Text FredCoVID19  
to 888777*

### **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](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/Coronavirus)
- Frederick County Health Department: [health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus](http://health.frederickcountymd.gov/coronavirus)
- Maryland Department of Health (MDH): [coronavirus.maryland.gov](http://coronavirus.maryland.gov)
- Centers for Disease Control (CDC): [coronavirus.gov](http://coronavirus.gov)

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