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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 March 11, 2021

Frederick, MD – March 11, 2021

Frederick County Health Department:

Vaccinations in Frederick County		
1st Dose Given 48,944	2nd Dose Given 27,498	
% of Population Vaccinated 18.9% 1st Dose	% of Population Vaccinated 10.6% 2nd Dose	
Confirmed Cases 17,324 Change in Last 24 Hours: +42	Confirmed Deaths 278 Change in Last 24 Hours: +1	7-Day Positivity Rate 3.7%

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. County residents are being vaccinated by vaccinators across the state, which is why the number of people vaccinated exceeds the amount of vaccine the Frederick County Health Department has received.

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

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Frederick County Joint Information Center COVID-19
www.frederickcountymd.gov/JIC



Update from the Frederick County Executive

Frederick County will align with the Governor's recent action to lift capacity limitations for certain businesses and activities. Businesses must continue to comply with all distancing, disinfecting and masking requirements. Restaurants must continue to space tables at least 6 feet apart, according to the Governor's Executive Order, which means many restaurants' capacity will still be limited. Diners must remain seated and cannot congregate. Most citizens will see no difference. Religious organizations, personal services, and indoor recreation establishments should continue to follow all directives and requirements for distancing, cleaning and disinfecting. Masks remain mandatory in all public spaces for people ages 5 and older.

The Frederick County Board of Health [regulations](#) that were enacted on Nov. 27, 2020, remain in place. Those regulations limit social gatherings, both inside and outside, to 25 people. Social gatherings include parties, cookouts, parades, celebrations, festivals, conventions and fundraisers, but do not include normal business operations. Wedding venues are limited to 50% and may not serve food in a buffet format. Fitness centers, health clubs, gyms, aquatic centers, and self-defense schools to 25% capacity. A majority vote of the Board of Health is needed to lift these limitations.

See [press release](#) for more details.

Frederick County Health Department Is Currently Vaccinating

Frederick County Health Department (FCHD) is vaccinating people who live or work in Frederick County in groups: 1A, 1B and people in 1C in the 65-74 age group, **now vaccinating people born in and before 1949**. Over a 700 educators will be vaccinated this week.

- Process for 65-74 Group: FCHD is currently working to vaccinate people born in or before 1949 who have pre-registered with us through our Vaccine Interest Form on our [website](#). Then we will offer appointments to people born in 1950, and so on down to people 65 years old.
- Process for Educators Group: This week, FCHD will hold one clinic for educators randomly selected from our Vaccine Interest Form list. Another clinic will be held for educators identified by their employers.

If you were born in 1949 or before, please call 301-600-7900 (English) or 301-600-7905 (Spanish) so that our Vaccination Appointment Line can help you schedule an appointment. It is open Monday – Friday, 8am to 5pm.

Other vaccinators in the county may be vaccinating all eligible groups in 1A, 1B, and 1C. Please check [covidvax.maryland.gov](https://www.covidvax.maryland.gov) to find a provider near you by zip code.

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Update on COVID-19 Vaccine

20,850 total 1st doses of COVID-19 vaccine received by Frederick County Health Department to date.
1,800 1st doses of COVID-19 vaccine received by Frederick County Health Department this week.

Governor Hogan has directed state health officials to provide county leaders with four-week projections for vaccine allotments for their local health department clinics. **For the weeks 3/8/21 - 3/29/21, the Frederick County Health Department is expected to receive at least 1,800 doses each week of all Moderna vaccine.** This is the amount projected to be allocated to the Frederick County Health Department, but that could change based on what the federal administration provides Maryland.

Frederick County Health Department is required by the state to use our weekly vaccine allocation to:

- prioritize residents 65 years and older. We are currently vaccinating people born in or before 1949.
- use *at least* 100 doses per week to vaccinate Phase 1B educators. This includes all licensed daycare providers, public and non-public K-12 schools, and higher education.
- vaccinate at least one independent living facility/community a week
- vaccinate at least one congregate living facility for people with disabilities (IDD or BH) or a DDA-funded provider that serves individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) a week.

Currently Eligible in Maryland

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

Current Process for Frederick County Health Department

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](#).

- **It may be several days, weeks, or longer until you are contacted since it depends on vaccine availability. You only need to complete the form once.**
- We will contact people who have registered on this form by priority group as we receive more vaccine.
- If you have already scheduled or received your 1st dose of vaccine, please [click this link](#) to unsubscribe from the list.

If you have complete our Vaccine Interest Form, you should get an automatic confirmation email when you submit. We will also send out updates of our progress periodically so that you know you are still on our list. Those updates are sent through our notification system, Everbridge.

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You may receive a text, pre-recorded phone call, or email from this system. We understand many people are concerned with whether information they receive about the COVID-19 vaccine is from a legitimate source. The following information is provided to help you identify when information is coming from the Frederick County Health Department via the Everbridge mass notification system.

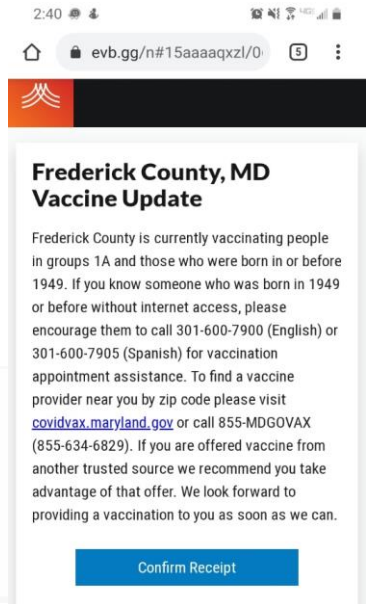
Phone Calls:

Most information will be sent by email or text message. When phone calls are used, they will begin by stating “This is a message from the Frederick County Health Department. Please listen carefully to the following information.”

Text Messages:

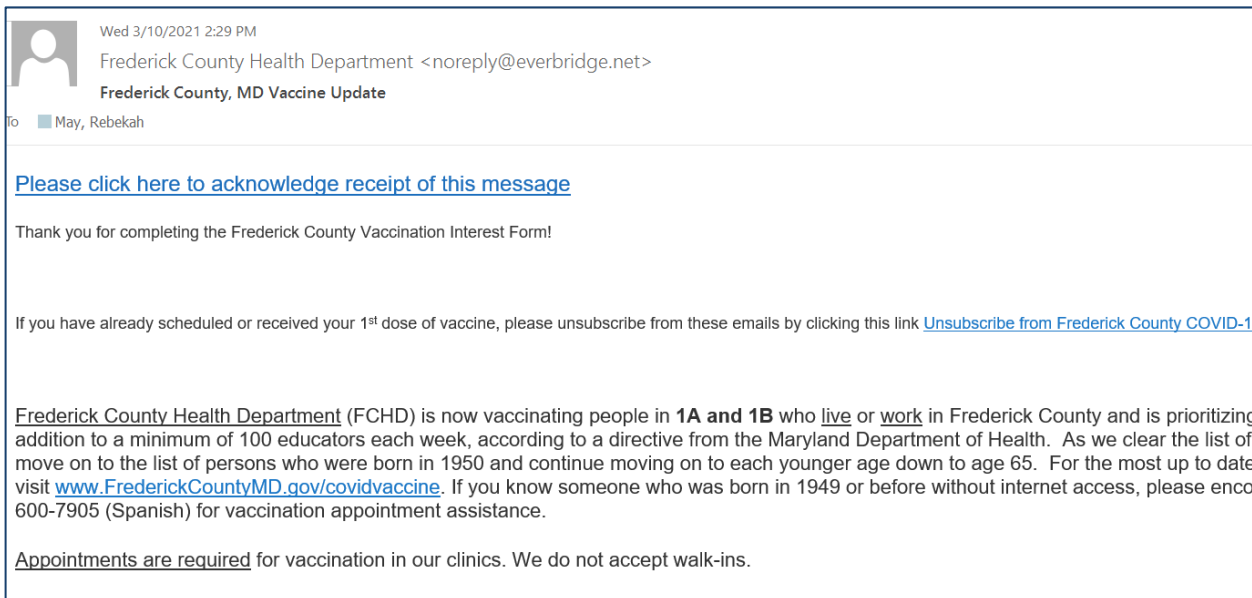
Text messages with come from the number 88911. The message will usually be shortened with a link to read the entire message. When you click on the link a browser page will open to show you the entire message. Examples of a text message are shown to the right:

Frederick County, MD Vaccine Update
Frederick County is currently vaccinating peop... <https://evb.gg/n#15aaaaqxzl/06GgX5X2>
or
Reply with YES to confirm receipt.



Emails:

Emails will state they are from the Frederick County Health Department with an email address of noreply@everbridge.net. Here is an example of an email:



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Maryland State Updates

It's official! The Western Maryland mass vaccination site in Hagerstown will open on Thursday, March 25. Text 'MdReady' to 898-211 for updates on when appointments become available at this location and other mass vaccination sites.

A telephone-based support line is available for residents without Internet access who require assistance finding providers and making appointments for the state run mass vaccination sites. The COVID-19 Vaccination Support Center—available at **1-855-MDGOVAX** (1-855-634-6829)—is open seven days a week from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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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