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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 25, 2021

Frederick, MD – March 25, 2021

#### Frederick County Health Department:

Vaccinations in Frederick County			
1st Dose Given <b>63,141</b>	2nd Dose Given <b>33,121</b>	Single Dose Given <b>2,116</b>	Fully Vaccinated <b>35,237</b>
% of Population Vaccinated <b>24.3%</b> 1st Dose	% of Population Vaccinated <b>12.8%</b> 2nd Dose	% of Population Vaccinated <b>0.8%</b> Single Dose	% of Population Vaccinated <b>13.6%</b> Fully Vaccinated
Confirmed Cases <b>17,893</b> Change in Last 24 Hours: +55	Confirmed Deaths <b>288</b> Change in Last 24 Hours: +1	7-Day Positivity Rate <b>5.1%</b>	

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](http://www.frederickcountymd.gov/JIC)


**Frequently Asked Question**

Q: How do I know if my symptoms are COVID-19 or allergies?


A: It's allergy season! COVID-19 and seasonal allergies share some symptoms, but not others. Use this chart to compare the symptoms of COVID-19 & seasonal allergies so you can tell the difference. If you have any COVID symptoms, please get tested. Read more from the CDC [here](#).

## COVID-19 vs. Allergies

	COVID-19	Allergies
Fever or chills	✓	✗
Cough	✓	✓
Body aches	✓	✗
Headaches	✓	✓
Tiredness	✓	✓
Loss of taste or smell	✓	✗
Shortness of breath	✓	⊖*
Sore throat	⊖	✓
Sneezing	✗	✓
Itchy or watery eyes	✗	✓
Runny or stuffy nose	⊖	✓



Common  
Less Common  
Not Common



\*Seasonal allergies do not usually cause shortness of breath, unless a person has a respiratory condition such as asthma that can be triggered by pollen.

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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**Currently Eligible in Maryland and Frederick County**

People in groups **1A, 1B, 1C, and 2A** are currently eligible in Maryland and Frederick County. Once your group is eligible, it continues to stay eligible. There is not enough vaccine for everyone who is eligible.

Phase	Who	When
<b>2A</b>	All Marylanders age 60 and older.	March 23
<b>2B</b>	Marylanders age 16 and older with underlying medical conditions that increase the risk for severe COVID-19 illness.	March 30
<b>2C</b>	All Marylanders age 55 and older, as well as essential workers in critical industries, including construction workers, food services, utilities, transportation, financial services, IT and other infrastructure.	April 13
<b>3</b>	General population, including healthy adults age 16 and older.	April 27

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## 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.**
- If you have already scheduled or received your 1<sup>st</sup> dose of vaccine, please [click this link](#) to unsubscribe from the list.

## Process for Other Vaccination Clinics

**Check** [covidvax.maryland.gov](https://covidvax.maryland.gov) to find a location near you by zip code.

**Text** 'MdReady' to 898-211 for updates on when appointments become available at state mass vaccination sites.

**Call** 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.

## Other Frederick County Updates

Frederick County Board of Health: The Frederick County Board of Health convened on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 to hear an update on COVID-19 in Frederick County and set revised health regulations. [Regulation 01-2021](#) was approved by the Board of Health 7 to 1 and goes into effect in Frederick County at 5pm on Friday, March 26, 2021.



Regulation BOH 01-2021:

- removes restrictions on social gatherings involving 25 or more persons
- adds a requirement for certain public gatherings of 100 or more persons to provide to the Health Department information about the gathering
- no longer places occupancy limits on fitness centers or wedding venues

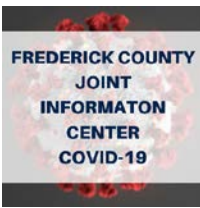
**Face coverings and physical distancing are still required** as outlined in [Governor Hogan's Executive Order from March 9, 2021](#).

If you are planning a public gathering of 100+ people, please submit the following information at least ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE to the FCHD Business Info address at

[FCHDBusinessInfo@FrederickCountyMD.gov](mailto:FCHDBusinessInfo@FrederickCountyMD.gov):

- Location
- Name of designated responsible person
- Date
- Contact number of designated responsible person

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### 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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