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Tuesday, May 11, 2021

During this COVID-19 pandemic and other future events, the CDM has been and will continue to be a source of reliable information, education and models for mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery. We hope this informational document has helped provide you filtered and actionable information. As the pace of new information and changes occur, we will evaluate the current once per week to determine if this information should be provided on a more frequent basis.

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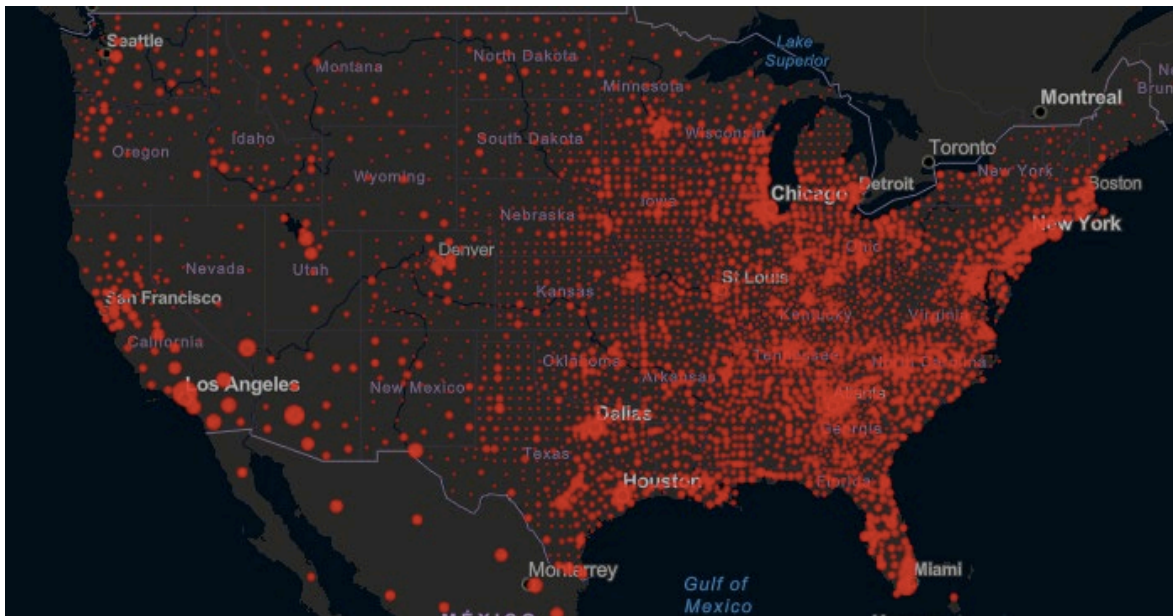
COVID-19 Statistics

	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total Recovered	Total Tested

Worldwide	158,616,506	3,299,447	94,638,451	Not Available
United States	32,743,117	582,140	Not Available	444,920,177
New Jersey	1,008,046	25,810	Not Available	13,930,626
New York	2,074,079	52,729	Not Available	52,829,566
Connecticut	343,545	8,154	Not Available	8,213,451

Information as of 5/10/21 at 0000 EDT. Source: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

United States COVID-19 Case Map / GIS



Center for Disaster Medicine Updates

- On May 5, 2021, CDM conducted a Stop the Bleed training to various medical and public safety agencies in the region in order to better prepare them for disasters
- Coordinating and overseeing COVID-19 screenings at NYMC campus
- Continue to partner with local organizations such as Westchester Department of Emergency Services and Westchester Medical Center to ensure ongoing collaboration with all public safety agencies.
- Coordinating volunteers to support local public health response to COVID-19.
- Conducting research and analysis of current events and COVID-19 response to identify strengths and areas for improvement in other regions.
- Updating and developing new programs to provide enhanced education on public health emergencies including pandemics.
- Exploring course development opportunities in infection prevention and control for frontline responders in the hospital and in the field.
- Serving as a source of information for COVID-19 related concerns or questions regarding public health, emergency medical service (EMS), public safety and healthcare response.
- Local networking and pandemic response analysis for New York's tri-state area, using first-person experiences to highlight current trends.

To view the Center for Disaster Medicine's newest webinar, please click here - [The COVID-19 Vaccine: What to Tell Your Patients](#)

Federal

- Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Denis McDonough and Small Business Administration Administrator Isabella Guzman visited Compass Coffee, a local Veteran-owned business in the nation's capital, May 5, to show their joint support for SBA's recently announced Restaurant Revitalization Fund. The SBA-led RRF program is part of President Biden's \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan and provides funding to help restaurants and other eligible businesses across America keep their doors open. During the first 21 days, RRF will prioritize and fund applications received from eligible small businesses that are owned by Veterans, women, and socially and economically disadvantaged individuals. <https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5665>
- All Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and clinics that administer COVID-19 vaccines are accepting walk-ins for eligible Veterans, spouses and caregivers. This walk-in service ensures all Veterans enrolled in VA health care and those authorized under the SAVE LIVES Act have an opportunity to receive a COVID-19 vaccination from VA at a time convenient for them. The effort is in support of the president's goal of administering at least one vaccine shot to 70 percent of the U.S. adult population by July 4. The urgency to vaccinate as many eligible individuals as quickly as possible remains a top priority for VA. "VA encourages those who wish to get their COVID-19 vaccine without an appointment to check the walk-in hours and requirements at their local facility," said Acting VA Under Secretary for Health Richard Stone, M.D. "Individuals taking advantage of walk-in vaccinations may need to wait for the vaccine to be prepared and will be screened when entering the facility." <https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/pressrelease.cfm?id=5668>

The White House

After a rigorous and thorough scientific review process, on May 10, 2021, the Food and Drug Administration expanded the emergency use authorization for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine from individuals 16 years and older to also include individuals 12 to 15 years old. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/05/10/statement-by-president-biden-on-fdas-expanded-emergency-use-authorization-of-the-pfizer-biontech-covid-19-vaccine-to-include-adolescents/>

The official website of the White House delivers bold action and immediate relief for American families as the country grapples with converging crises. This includes actions to control the COVID-19 pandemic, provide economic relief, tackle climate change, and advance racial equity and civil rights, as well as immediate actions to reform our immigration system and restore America's standing in the world. <https://www.whitehouse.gov>

Health and Human Services (HHS)

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), announced the availability of approximately \$250 million to develop and support a community-based workforce

who will serve as trusted voices sharing information about vaccines, increase COVID-19 vaccine confidence, and address any barriers to vaccination for individuals living in vulnerable and medically underserved communities.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2021/05/04/hhs-announces-250-million-from-american-rescue-plan-to-develop-and-support-underserved-communities.html>

U.S. Health and Human Service (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra and U.S. Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Marcia L. Fudge announced a joint-agency effort to increase access to COVID-19 prevention and treatment services, including testing and vaccinations, among disproportionately affected communities, including among HUD-assisted households and people experiencing homelessness. This program will leverage the Health Center COVID-19 health Vaccine Program which currently provides a direct supply of vaccines to nearly 800 health centers across the country. HHS and HUD expect the effort will reach [more than](#) 6,000 multifamily housing properties, 6,700 homeless shelters, and approximately 7,500 public housing properties across the country to respond to and stop the spread of COVID-19.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2021/05/05/hhs-secretary-becerra-hud-secretary-fudge-announce-joint-effort-increase-access-covid-19-vaccinations.html>

Thanks to the American Rescue Plan, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is announcing the availability of nearly \$1 billion to strengthen COVID-19 response efforts and increase vaccinations in rural communities. As part of the Biden Administration's commitment to expanding access to vaccines and ensuring equity in the COVID-19 response, the Health Resources and Services Administration, a part of HHS, will increase the number of vaccines sent to rural communities, expand testing and other COVID-19 prevention services, and work to increase vaccine confidence by empowering trusted local voices with additional funding for outreach efforts in underserved communities.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2021/05/04/hhs-announces-nearly-1-billion-from-american-rescue-plan-for-rural-covid-19-response.html>

For the latest COVID-19 information from HHS

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/coronavirus/index.html>

National Institutes of Health (NIH)

View the latest COVID-19 information from NIH

<https://www.nih.gov/coronavirus>

United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration expanded the emergency use authorization (EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) to include adolescents 12 through 15 years of age.

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-fda-authorizes-pfizer-biontech-covid-19-vaccine-emergency-use>

As of May 7, 2021, 370 tests and sample collection devices are authorized by the FDA under emergency use authorizations (EUAs). These include 270 molecular tests and sample collection devices, 76 antibody and other immune response tests, and 24 antigen tests. There are 49 molecular authorizations and one antibody authorization that can be used with home-collected samples. There is one molecular prescription at-home test, two antigen prescription at-home tests, four antigen over-the-counter (OTC) at-home tests, and two molecular OTC at-home tests. The FDA has authorized 9 antigen tests and 3 molecular tests for serial screening programs. The FDA has also authorized 483 revisions to EUA authorizations.

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-may-7-2021>

For the latest overall FDA information about COVID-19.

<https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/counterterrorism-and-emerging-threats/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

CDC provides the latest science update as of April 30, 2021.

https://www.cdc.gov/library/covid19/04302021_covidupdate.html

CDC provides updated guidance regarding the possibility of getting COVID-19 even after vaccination. COVID-19 vaccines are effective. However, a small percentage of people who are fully vaccinated will still get COVID-19 if they are exposed to the virus that causes it. These are called “vaccine breakthrough cases.” This means that while people who have been vaccinated are much less likely to get sick, it may still happen. Experts continue to study how common these cases are.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/effectiveness/why-measure-effectiveness/breakthrough-cases.html>

CDC provides updated information about the variants in the United States. The emerging variants CDC is closely monitoring have mutations in the virus genome that alter the characteristics and cause the virus to act differently in ways that are significant to public health (e.g., causes more severe disease, spreads more easily between humans, requires different treatments, changes the effectiveness of current vaccines). It's important to understand that genetic mutations are expected, and some variants can spread and become predominant while others subside.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/transmission/variant-cases.html>

CDC provides daily data tracker which has maps and charts tracking cases, deaths, and trends of COVID-19 in the United States- updated daily by 8 pm ET.

<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#datatracker-home>

For the latest CDC information

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/index.html>

Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)

As part of the ongoing response to address the COVID-19 pandemic, the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has increased the Medicare payment rate for administering monoclonal antibodies to treat beneficiaries with COVID-19, continuing coverage under the Medicare Part B COVID-19 vaccine benefit. Beneficiaries pay nothing out of pocket, regardless of where the service is furnished – including in a physician's office, healthcare facility or at home.

<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/press-releases/cms-increases-medicare-payment-covid-19-monoclonal-antibody-infusions>

View the latest information from CMS

<https://www.cms.gov/About-CMS/Agency-Information/Emergency/EPRO/Current-Emergencies/Current-Emergencies-page>

Vaccines

In this section, vaccine-related information from various sources will be collected, reviewed, and tabulated here. As of May 11, 2021, the FDA has granted Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) to Pfizer BioNTech, Moderna and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson. Now with three vaccines with EUA, the goal is to vaccinate a larger number of persons in the coming months throughout the United States. As additional vaccines are granted EUA, information for those vaccines will also be included.

CDC created this section regarding COVID-19 vaccinations in the United States- CDC provides overall U.S. COVID-19 vaccine, deliveries and administration, maps, charts, and data updated daily by 8 p.m.. This section represents all vaccine partners including jurisdictional partner clinics, retail pharmacies, long-term care facilities, Federal Emergency Management Agency and Health Resources and Services Administration partner sites, and federal entity facilities.

<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations>

CDC created this section regarding the Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine to provide updated relevant information including side effects and safety data, clinical trials demographic statistics, and information on how the vaccine works.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines/janssen.html>

CDC created this section regarding the Moderna vaccine to provide updated relevant information including side effects and safety data, clinical trials demographic statistics, and information on how the vaccine works.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines/Moderna.html>

CDC created this section regarding the Pfizer BioNTech vaccine to provide updated relevant information including side effects and safety data, clinical trials demographic statistics, and information on how the vaccine works.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/different-vaccines/Pfizer-BioNTech.html>

HHS created this section to provide the latest information about COVID-19 vaccines.

<https://www.hhs.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccines/index.html>

On May 10, 2021, New York Governor Andrew M. Cuomo announced eight new pop-up vaccination sites at MTA station stops in the New York City, Long Island and Mid-Hudson regions. The sites will serve up to 300 walk-ins per day on a first come, first served basis utilizing the single dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine. The MTA will provide incentives to get vaccinated at the sites, including a free seven-day MetroCard or free round trip Long Island Rail Road or Metro-North ticket. The MTA will partner with SOMOS Community Care, Northwell Health and Westchester Medical Center on the sites. MTA employees can get vaccinated at the sites.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-eight-new-pop-vaccination-sites-mta-stations>

On May 10, 2021, Governor Cuomo announced the SUNY and CUNY boards will require proof of vaccination for all students attending in-person classes this fall, and encouraged all private universities and colleges to adopt the same guidelines. 112,150 doses have been administered across the state's vast distribution network in the last 24 hours, and nearly 1.1 million doses have been administered over the past seven days.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-suny-and-cuny-boards-require-vaccinations-all-students-attending>

The NYS DOH COVID-19 Vaccine Tracker Dashboard will update New Yorkers on the distribution of the vaccine including the number of doses received by the state, a breakdown of first or second doses, and the number of persons vaccinated with the first and second doses in each region.

<https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/covid-19-vaccine-tracker>

NYS DOH releases instructions for New York State-operated vaccination sites

<https://covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/>

For NYC DOHMH updated guidance regarding COVID-19 vaccine

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-vaccines.page>

The Vaccine Finder is a one-stop site for New Yorkers to find their nearest COVID-19 vaccination location. The Vaccine Finder can also provide New Yorkers with information to schedule vaccination appointments.

<https://vaccinefinder.nyc.gov/>

Educational Institution Information

- Higher Education
 - Building on his Computer Science for All initiative, New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy announced that three universities will receive grants from the New Jersey Department of Education (DOE) to create computer science

learning hubs throughout the state. The *Expanding Access to Computer Science: Professional Learning Grants* will help Fairleigh Dickinson University, Kean University, and Rutgers University in New Brunswick create hubs that will provide high-quality professional learning for educators and resources for school districts to increase computer science opportunities for students. The grants—which are funded through the Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Act—will also help the three universities build partnerships with stakeholders to promote the growth of computer science education. “New Jersey is committed to ensuring our students have access to a high-quality education in computer science that will open up doors for them in the future,” said Governor Phil Murphy. “The learning hubs will provide opportunities for educators to be on the forefront of computer science education, and to share that knowledge to students in the classroom. These efforts will contribute to the academic growth of our students and the economic growth of our State.” <https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562021/approved/20210504a.shtml>

- Vaccination rates are picking up across the country, including at colleges and universities. Students and staff are still catching COVID-19, but the large spikes that characterized the fall semester are now mostly absent. Most of those eye-popping outbreaks last term were at large public universities, which are now being helped by more available testing, better guidance and the protective immunity of their previously infected students. “We just got better at this. Colleges and universities just got better at quarantining, just got better at early identification of these things,” said Chris Marsicano, a professor of higher education and director of the College Crisis Initiative at Davidson College. “Practice makes perfect.” Read more at... <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2021/05/10/vaccines-and-containment-mean-fewer-covid-19-cases-colleges>

- K-12

- Several school systems across the country have recently announced the next school year will not include a key feature of education during the pandemic — the district-led option for remote or hybrid learning. In removing those options, districts are hoping for a more typical school year with full-time, in-person classes and fewer logistical disruptions. But while many federal, state and local education experts say in-person learning is better for students’ academic attainment and social and emotional wellbeing, many also acknowledge the benefits of remote learning for certain students, as well as the concerns from some families — particularly families of color — about the safety of in-person learning while the public health crisis continues. <https://www.k12dive.com/news/school-districts-debate-whether-to-end-remote-learning-option/599482/>
- As the pace of learning slowed for most students this past year and accelerated for some, Westminster Public Schools’ competency-based education approach proved its worth. After the coronavirus pushed students into remote learning due to the COVID-19 pandemic last spring, reports in the fall showed students across the country lost chunks of

learning time, which must be addressed, said David Yanoski, a researcher at Regional Educational Laboratory Central at Marzano Research. Reading growth for most students was near normal, but the biggest effects were on math because it is so sequential, he said. If students miss a math concept, they are unlikely to understand later concepts. By design, the Colorado district's competency-based system identifies those lost chunks for each student and requires them to demonstrate proficiency before moving on to the next level.

<https://www.k12dive.com/news/colorado-districts-cbe-approach-may-offer-solutions-to-address-learning-ga/599075/>

Clinical Trials

To view the latest information on clinical trials regarding COVID-19

<https://www.clinicaltrials.gov/ct2/results?recrs=&cond=Covid19&term=&cntry=&state=&city=&dist=>

American Red Cross

<https://www.redcrossblood.org/donate-blood/dlp/plasma-donations-from-recovered-covid-19-patients.html>

State Updates

New York

- Governor Cuomo announced that Broadway will fully reopen its doors this September, in accordance with the State's health and safety guidance. Beginning May 6, and throughout May, tickets for Broadway shows - which begin September 14, 2021 - will be made available for sale at 100 percent of theater capacity. The announcement builds upon the reopening of performing arts and live entertainment venues at limited capacities last month and further sets the stage for Broadway shows to return to theaters throughout the fall. <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-broadway-fully-reopen-its-doors-september>
- Governor Cuomo announced that large-scale outdoor event venues will only be limited by the space available for patrons or parties of patrons to maintain the required social distance of 6 feet starting May 19. This will apply to outdoor sports, performing arts and live entertainment, and horse and auto racing venues statewide. Appropriate social distancing, masks and other applicable health protocols will still apply. <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-announces-large-scale-outdoor-venue-capacity-increase-new-fully-vaccinated-fan>
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New York State Department of Health (DOH)

On May 10, 2021, Governor Cuomo updated New Yorkers on the state's progress during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. "New York's COVID-19 numbers are firmly on the decline and more New Yorkers are getting vaccinated every single day, but it's important to remember that we aren't through this pandemic yet and practicing safe behaviors still makes a critical difference," Governor Cuomo said. "We've expanded walk-in access and have continued to open pop-up sites as we try to get more shots in arms across the state. Washing hands, wearing masks and social distancing are still important behaviors we can use to slow the spread. New Yorkers are going to get to the light at the end of the tunnel together, but first we have to stay vigilant and defeat the COVID beast."

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-cuomo-updates-new-yorkers-states-progress-during-covid-19-pandemic-184>

For a list of positive cases by county in New York State

<https://covid19tracker.health.ny.gov/views/NYS-COVID19-Tracker/NYSDOHCOVID-19Tracker-Map?%3Aembed=yes&%3Atoolbar=no&%3Atabs=n>

NYS DOH has created a dynamic COVID-19 Tracker which provides COVID-19 information regarding testing, cases, percentages, and fatalities across New York State. It also breaks down cases by county.

<https://covid19tracker.health.ny.gov/views/NYS-COVID19-Tracker/NYSDOHCOVID-19Tracker-Map?%3Aembed=yes&%3Atoolbar=no&%3Atabs=n>

For the latest COVID-19 information from NYS DOH

<https://coronavirus.health.ny.gov/home>

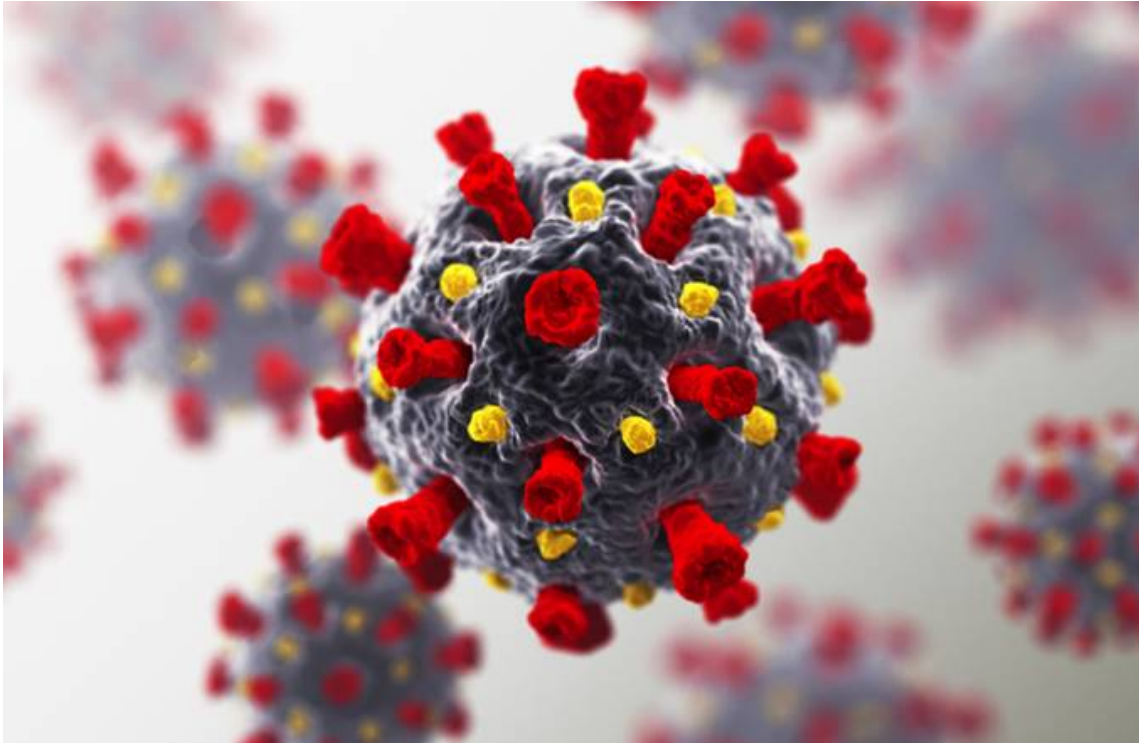
New Jersey

- Building on his commitment to create an economy that works for all New Jerseyans, Governor Phil Murphy announced an additional \$235 million in funding for small business relief and \$40 million in funding for an excluded residents fund to assist individuals negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, respectively. The new small business funding, proposed by the Governor's Office and agreed upon by legislative leadership, will fulfill existing Phase IV small business grant requests made to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA), while the new direct cash assistance program will help New Jerseyans in need who have been excluded from previous rounds of COVID relief. Additionally, as part of the small business relief agreement between the Governor's Office and Legislative leadership, EDA will extend Phase IV and

begin accepting applications from businesses that missed the previous small business relief program deadlines. <https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562021/approved/20210507a.shtml>

Connecticut

- Governor Ned Lamont announced that the Connecticut Department of Public Health is partnering with the Connecticut chapters of nine historically African American, Greek-lettered fraternities and sororities to further combat COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy and increase access to the vaccine within the state's Black and Brown communities. The partnership stems from the Department of Public Health's Trusted Messenger Forum program, which works to train and provide trusted community leaders with messaging toolkits and methods to combat myths and misinformation with factual and scientific information about the COVID-19 vaccines. As a result of this partnership, the nine historically African American fraternities and sororities will be holding a series of free town hall events that will include discussions with well-known doctors, clinicians, and public servants who are members of each of the nine sororities and fraternities and serve as trusted messengers on the vaccines. <https://portal.ct.gov/Office-of-the-Governor/News/Press-Releases/2021/05-2021/Governor-Lamont-Announces-Partnership-With-Historically-African-American-Fraternities-and-Sororities>
- Governor Lamont announced that he has signed into law legislation that extends for another two years the relaxed telehealth services provisions that he previously enacted through an emergency executive order due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Telehealth services are those that enable healthcare providers to interact with patients, including those with Medicaid coverage, by using electronic methods, such as videoconferencing and telephones, without needing to meet in person. When the pandemic began in March 2020, Governor Lamont immediately recognized the need to encourage the use of telehealth and he issued Executive Order No. 7G, which utilized the emergency authority granted to him in order to temporarily relax certain state laws that regulate these services, thereby enabling more patients to use telehealth. The legislation Governor Lamont signed today, House Bill 5596, allows the relaxed rules enacted through his executive order to remain in place through at least June 30, 2023. <https://portal.ct.gov/Office-of-the-Governor/News/Press-Releases/2021/05-2021/Governor-Lamont-Signs-Legislation-Extending-Telehealth-Services-for-Another-Two-Years>



Local Updates

New York Blood Center (NYBC)

For the latest updated NYBC information about COVID-19:

<https://nybc.org/covid-19/>

New York City (NYC) Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH)

For NYC DOHMH updated COVID-19 data page

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-data.page>

For the latest COVID-19 information from NYC DOHMH

<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/covid/covid-19-main.page>

Westchester County Department of Health

For the latest breakdown of positive cases in Westchester County as of May 9, 2021

<https://wcgis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/280339d96db14efd9cc304dba0f3a71d>

For the latest COVID-19 information in Westchester including how to avoid the latest vaccine scams offering earlier access to vaccines.

<https://health.westchestergov.com/2019-novel-coronavirus>

Putnam County Department of Health

Breakdown of positive cases by towns in Putnam County as of May 7 2021-

<https://www.putnamcountyny.com/covid19/>

For the latest COVID-19 information

<https://www.putnamcountyny.com/health/coronavirus/>

Dutchess County Department of Health

Breakdown of positive cases in Dutchess County as of May 10, 2021

<https://www.dutchessny.gov/Departments/DBCH/covid-19-dashboard.htm>

For the latest COVID-19 information:

<https://www.dutchessny.gov/Departments/DBCH/2019-Novel-Coronavirus.htm>

Orange County Department of Health

Updated COVID-19 dashboard for Orange County, NY as of May 10, 2021

<https://ocnygis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/21de1fb5ce0c480f95dc0cf2b8b83b71>

For the latest COVID-19 information

<https://www.orangecountygov.com/1906/2019-Novel-Coronavirus-Information>

Rockland County Department of Health

Review Rockland County's dashboard with the latest COVID-19 information regarding cases as of May 10, 2021

<https://www.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/d074e0336e81449393a76d1768ceb096>

For the latest COVID-19 information

<https://rocklandgov.com/departments/health/coronavirus-covid-19/>

Healthcare

For the latest COVID-19 information for healthcare facilities from the Greater New York Hospital Association that covers hospitals in the tri-state area.

<https://www.gnyha.org/>



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New York Medical College Leadership News:

Is It Safe to Fly After Getting The COVID-19 Vaccine?

The List

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<https://www.thelist.com/403261/is-it-safe-to-fly-after-getting-the-covid-19-vaccine/>

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Vaccine Tourism: Are People Coming to the U.S. To Get COVID Shots?

NBC 4 New York

5/4/2021

<https://www.nbcnewyork.com/news/coronavirus/vaccine-tourism-are-people-coming-to-the-u-s-to-get-covid-shots/3037179/>

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Faculty News:

State must close the loophole that permits unvaccinated children into schools

The Boston Globe

5/6/2021

<https://www.bostonglobe.com/2021/05/06/opinion/state-must-close-loophole-that-permits-unvaccinated-children-into-schools/>

Shetal I. Shah, M.D., professor of pediatrics

In a COVID coma, this mom didn't hold her newborn until the baby was 4 months old

Record Online

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<https://www.recordonline.com/in-depth/news/2021/05/06/covid-premature-baby-mom-in-coma/7412968002/>

Chandy Dipak, M.D., professor of medicine and neurology

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