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**Tuesday, October 19, 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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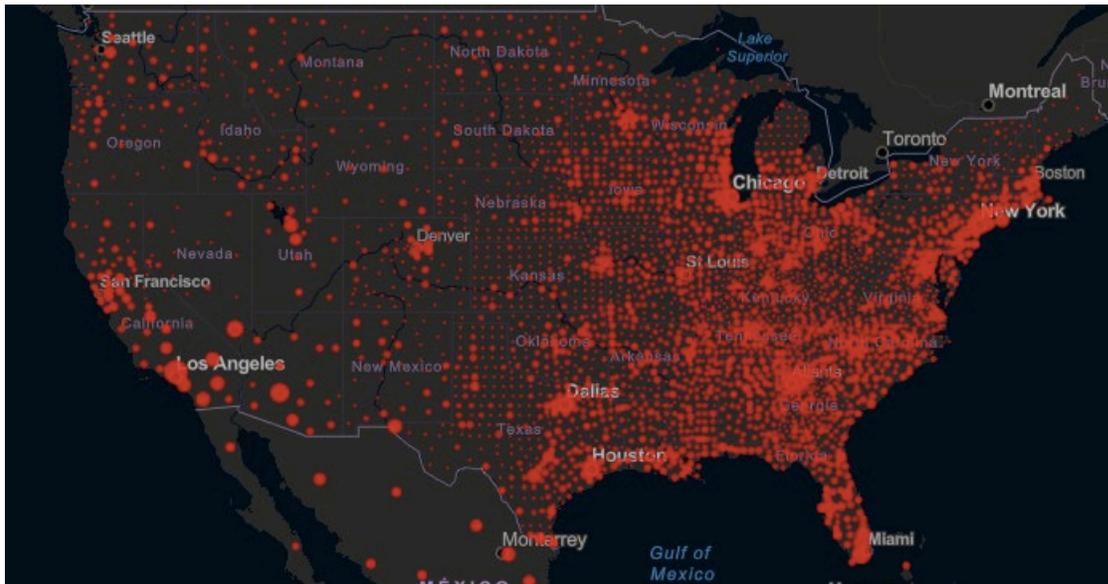
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## **COVID-19 Statistics**

	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total Vaccine Doses Admin.
Worldwide	241,152,349	4,906,104	6,655,849,334
United States	45,051,076	726,201	407,151,805
New Jersey	1,182,051	27,737	12,076,813
New York	2,511,182	56,008	26,864,502
Connecticut	398,270	8,718	5,231,303

Information as of 10/19/21 at 0300 EDT. Source: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

## **United States COVID-19 Case Map / GIS**



## **Center for Disaster Medicine Updates**

- On October 13, New York State Assemblyman Thomas J. Abinanti joined with NYMC leadership to present a \$250,000 grant for the Center of Excellence in Precision

Responses to Bioterrorism and Disasters within the [Center for Disaster Medicine](#) (CDM). The funding will support the Center's training of local health care professionals, emergency responders and law enforcement in emergency preparedness for disasters,

- On October 13, CDM staff trained NYMC public safety officers regarding CPR, first aid and Stop the Bleed. As the first line with NYMC faculty, staff, students and the public, NYMC needs to be as prepared as possible for any possible emergency.
- emergencies on campus.
- 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](#)**

## **The White House**

On October 14, 2021, President Biden provided remarks regarding the COVID-19 Response and Vaccination Program. While there are currently 66 million unvaccinated persons in the United States, there will be an intense effort to reduce that number soon.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/speeches-remarks/2021/10/14/remarks-by-president-biden-on-the-covid-19-response-and-vaccination-program-2/>

The official website of the White House will deliver updated information as the country grapples with converging crises. This will include 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. This website will provide all information in one central location.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov>

## **Health and Human Services (HHS)**

On October 12, 2021, a readout of the Seventh COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force Meeting which occurred on September 30, 2021 was made available. COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force Chair, Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith, held the seventh public meeting to vote on a final slate of recommendations for mitigating health inequities caused or exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, and for preventing such inequities in the future. Task Force members also discussed and voted favorably on suggested actions for the Biden-Harris Administration to prioritize and propose outcomes to set the vision for the country's goals.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2021/10/12/readout-seventh-covid-19-health-equity-task-force-meeting.html>

For the latest COVID-19 information from HHS

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

## **National Institutes of Health (NIH)**

Interferon does not improve outcomes for hospitalized adults with COVID-19- A clinical trial has found that treatment with the immunomodulator interferon beta-1a plus the antiviral remdesivir was not superior to treatment with remdesivir alone in hospitalized adults with COVID-19 pneumonia. In addition, in a subgroup of patients who required high-flow oxygen, investigators found that interferon beta-1a was associated with more adverse events and worse outcomes. These findings were published in the journal *The Lancet Respiratory Medicine*.

<https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/interferon-does-not-improve-outcomes-hospitalized-adults-covid-19>

Antibody treatment for MIS-C works by depleting inflammatory immune cells- Intravenous immune globulin (IVIG) — a common treatment for multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) — likely works by depleting immune cells called neutrophils, according to a

recent study funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH). MIS-C is a rare condition that usually affects school-age children who initially had only mild COVID-19 symptoms or no symptoms at all. The researchers also found that IVIG works in a similar manner for treating Kawasaki disease, another rare inflammatory condition that affects children and shares symptoms with MIS-C. The findings are published in the Journal of Clinical Investigation.

<https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/antibody-treatment-mis-c-works-depleting-inflammatory-immune-cells>

NIH RADx initiative expands COVID-19 testing innovation for additional types of rapid tests- The NIH Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics (RADx) initiative announced that it has issued contract awards totaling \$77.7 million to develop and manufacture 12 new rapid diagnostic tests for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. The home and point-of-care testing platforms target the need for high-performance, low-cost home tests and point-of-care tests that can potentially detect multiple respiratory infections. These projects are part of the RADx Tech program, which involves an intensive concept viability “shark-tank”-like assessment conducted by a panel of technical, regulatory and business experts. The awards support the development, validation, scale-up and manufacturing with the goal of bringing needed tests to the market as early as this year.

<https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/nih-radx-initiative-expands-covid-19-testing-innovation-additional-types-rapid-tests>

View the latest COVID-19 information from NIH

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

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## **United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**

FDA Holds Advisory Committee Meeting to Discuss Merck and Ridgeback’s EUA Application for COVID-19 Oral Treatment- On October 14, 2021, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration announced an upcoming meeting of its Antimicrobial Drugs Advisory Committee (AMDAC) to discuss Merck and Ridgeback’s request for an emergency use authorization (EUA) for molnupiravir, an investigational antiviral drug to treat COVID-19. The advisory meeting will occur on November 30, 2021.

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-hold-advisory-committee-meeting-discuss-merck-and-ridgebacks-eua-application-covid-19-oral>

As of October 15, 2021, 418 tests and sample collection devices are authorized by the FDA under emergency use authorizations (EUAs). These include 292 molecular tests and sample collection devices, 89 antibody and other immune response tests and 37 antigen tests. There are 66 molecular authorizations and one antibody authorization that can be used with home-collected samples. There is one molecular prescription at-home test, three antigen prescription at-home tests, seven antigen over-the-counter (OTC) at-home tests and two molecular OTC at-home tests. The FDA has authorized 16 antigen tests and eight molecular tests for serial screening programs. The FDA has also authorized 650 revisions to EUA authorizations.

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-101521>

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)**

On October 18, 2021, the CDC updated its guidance regarding “Responding to COVID-19 Cases in K-12 Schools: Resources for School Administrators.” As K-12 schools resume in-person learning, school administrators must be prepared to respond quickly when someone with COVID-19 has been in the school or at a school event. In these instances, case investigation and contact tracing serve as important strategies for reducing the transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Case investigation is the process that helps a person who has COVID-19 recall everyone they have had close contact with during the timeframe they may have been able to spread the virus to other people. Contact tracing is the process of notifying the identified exposed individuals (close contacts) of their potential exposure. They are most effective when implemented in combination with other prevention strategies.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/k-12-contact-tracing/guide.html>

On October 15, 2021, the CDC updated its Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>

On October 14, 2021, the CDC updated its Science Brief: Evidence Used to Update the List of Underlying Medical Conditions Associated with Higher Risk for Severe COVID-19.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/science-briefs/underlying-evidence-table.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 p.m. 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)**

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 October 19, 2021, the FDA has granted Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) to Moderna and Janssen/Johnson & Johnson. On August 23, 2021, the FDA granted full approval to Pfizer. Now with two vaccines with EUA and one vaccine with full FDA approval, 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>

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>

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. As of October 16, 2021, the fully FDA approved Pfizer vaccine will now be known as COMIRNATY for ages 16 and older. <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>

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
  - Pennsylvania State University announced this week that it would require all employees at its flagship University Park campus to submit proof of vaccination against COVID-19 vaccination by December 8 to comply with President Joe Biden's order mandating vaccination for federal contractors. More than 700 universities have already announced vaccine mandates for employees, according to a tracker maintained by *The Chronicle of Higher Education*. But Penn State -- which previously had resisted mandating COVID-19 vaccination for employees or students -- may be among the first institutions to link an employee vaccination mandate to Biden's September 9 order requiring vaccination for federal contractors. <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2021/10/15/penn-state-mandates-employee-vaccines-citing-biden-order>
  - More than a year and a half into the COVID-19 pandemic, with many college campuses back at normal capacity, student health centers are feeling the pressure. There is increased demand for routine health services now that students are back on campus, and they're also seeking more mental health care. The health centers are having difficulty hiring in a competitive health-care labor market, and staff members are overworked and fatigued. There is plenty of stress to go around. To read more, visit <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2021/10/14/student-health-centers-report-high-demand-services>
  
- K-12

- While average class sizes in K-12 grades have remained constant since 2016, new federal relief funding may give school districts the opportunity to fulfill long-desired aims to reduce the numbers of students in classes, a new review of state policies by the National Council on Teacher Quality said. Targeted class size policies, such as those for core academic courses, high poverty schools or English learners, may yield more support for students most impacted by pandemic hardships, rather than system-wide class reductions, wrote Patricia Saenz-Armstrong, a senior economist with NCTQ. Pandemic-forced virtual learning, cohorting and social distancing will add another layer to the long-standing debate about how big classes should be and even whether to focus on class sizes, student-teacher ratios or another metric to ensure student needs are met. <https://www.k12dive.com/news/how-covid-19-may-change-the-conversation-about-class-sizes/608368/>
- In an effort to increase the number of students with internet access, Fort Worth Independent School District in Texas erected Wi-Fi towers to connect one-quarter of the students most in need, The 74 reports. Phase two of the initiative, set to begin in December, will provide service to the rest. An estimated 60,000 residents are without internet access in Fort Worth, with the pandemic exposing how the digital divide has a greater impact on populations of color. To bridge this gap, voters approved the project funds in November 2020 through the Tax Ratification Election. In 2019, a report rated Fort Worth's connectivity at 245th out of 625 cities. According to the National Digital Inclusion Alliance, 36 million households don't have a home broadband subscription, including 26 million in urban areas. <https://www.k12dive.com/news/texas-district-erects-wi-fi-towers-to-expand-internet-connectivity/608375/>

## **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 Kathy Hochul announced that all New Yorkers enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program will receive the maximum allowable level of food benefits for October. All households participating in SNAP - including those already at the maximum level of benefits - will receive a supplemental allotment later this month, which will result in an infusion of about \$230 million in federal funding into the state's economy. <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-230-million-additional-food-assistance-new-yorkers-october>
- Governor Hochul released a new Public Service Announcement (PSA) encouraging New Yorkers to get both a flu and COVID-19 vaccine this season. The COVID-19 vaccine and/or a booster dose can be received at the same time as the seasonal flu shot. Flu season occurs primarily from October through May, often peaking between December and February. <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-reminds-new-yorkers-get-vaccinated-flu-season-begins>
- Governor Hochul announced that the New York State Office of Mental Health has secured \$21 million in workforce recruitment and retention funds that will help strengthen the state's mental health system and improve access to mental health services in communities across the state. "The COVID-19 pandemic has placed an enormous strain on all New Yorkers," Governor Hochul said. "This funding will support our behavioral health workforce and increase access to care, helping to ensure that everyone in our state who needs assistance and treatment can get it." <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-availability-21-million-federal-funding-strengthen-states-mental>
- Governor Hochul announced a new pandemic-era subway ridership record of 3,236,904 customers on Thursday, October 14, surpassing the previous high set on October 7 by nearly 50,000 riders. Staten Island Railway also set a record, carrying 7,367 customers for a combined total of 3,244,271. Overall, the subway system has carried more than 3 million customers eight times in October so far. The Governor also announced that service delivery on the New York City Subway, the percentage of scheduled trains that are provided during peak hours, measured along the busiest part of the line, improved to 92 percent in October with daily delays down by more than 13 percent, leading to another new pandemic-era ridership record on Thursday, October 14. <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-new-pandemic-era-subway-ridership-record>

## **New York State Department of Health (DOH)**

On October 18, 2021, Governor Kathy Hochul updated New Yorkers on the state's progress combating COVID-19. "Many New Yorkers have been vaccinated for COVID-19 and are returning to normal life, but we can't get complacent," Governor Hochul said. "We have to get more New Yorkers vaccinated, end the pandemic and revitalize our economy. Lives still hang in the balance, and I'm urging everyone who hasn't gotten a shot yet to consider their friends, families and loved ones and use the vaccine to help end this pandemic for all of us."

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-updates-new-yorkers-states-progress-combating-covid-19-53>

On October 13, 2021, Governor Hochul received her flu shot and stated: "Flu season is here. ... With lesser restrictions, we want to make sure that everybody's protected, that you don't end up getting the flu or COVID or both, which is the worst case scenario. So, I encourage people to keep wearing your mask, good hand hygiene, and we're going to be starting a PSA. What we're going to do in those areas that we've identified as being higher than four percent - we're going to deploy more pop-ups, we're going to have more #VaxtoSchool pop-ups, we're going to boost education outreach, and I want you to know we are in regular communication with the local health departments. They know that we are there to help."

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/video-audio-photos-rush-transcript-governor-hochul-receives-flu-shot-remind-new-yorkers-get>

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>

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## **New Jersey**

- The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) mailed out letters to approximately 350,000 households with overdue electric and natural gas bills to notify them that they are potentially eligible for assistance to pay their utility arrearages. The Department urges people who receive a letter to act quickly and immediately apply for help since the assistance is available for a limited time only. <https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562021/approved/20211012b.shtml>

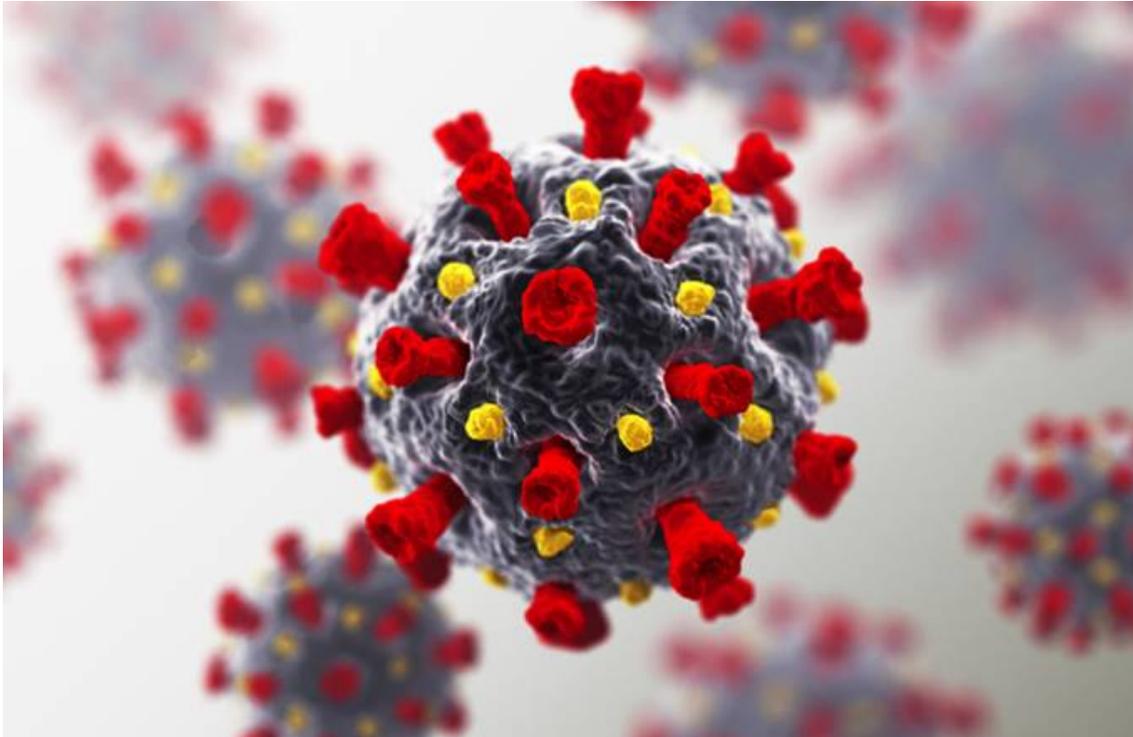
- Governor Phil Murphy and Human Services Acting Commissioner Sarah Adelman announced plans to invest more than \$700 million to help parents pay for child care, provide bonus pay to child care workers, and distribute grants and increase support for child care providers. <https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562021/approved/20211013b.shtml>
- Governor Murphy announced \$300,000 in additional funding towards a continued partnership with rideshare companies Uber and Lyft in conjunction with United Way Worldwide and NJ 211 to provide access to free and discounted rideshare services to New Jersey residents who lost a personal vehicle as a result of Tropical Storm Ida and who are unable to obtain another vehicle due to the impacts of COVID-19. Uber and Lyft initially partnered with the State to provide free rideshares to those impacted by Ida starting in early September. The first phase of the Tropical Storm Ida rideshare program provided over 2,400 rides. Due to the severe impacts of Tropical Storm Ida, in combination with COVID-19's impacts on individuals and the supply chain overall, many Ida-impacted individuals still require assistance with transportation. This second phase of the Ida rideshare program will continue to provide critical transportation to many New Jerseyans in need. <https://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/562021/approved/20211013c.shtml>

## **Connecticut**

- Governor Ned Lamont and Connecticut Housing Commissioner Seila Mosquera-Bruno announced that electrical utility customers in Connecticut will soon receive a robocall to raise awareness about the availability of funding for unpaid and overdue electrical utility bills through the state's UniteCT program, which is administered by the Connecticut Department of Housing. This effort is a continuation of an initiative that saw UniteCT deliver bulk payments in the amount of \$17 million on behalf of Eversource and United Illuminating customers who are behind on their electrical utility payments. The Department of Housing is working with the other electric utility service providers in Connecticut to bring the same resources to their eligible customers. <https://portal.ct.gov/Office-of-the-Governor/News/Press-Releases/2021/10-2021/Governor-Lamont-Announces-Electrical-Utility-Customers-Will-Soon-Receive-Robocall>
- Governor Lamont is applauding the teams that developed Connecticut's contact tracing platform, ContaCT, on winning a State IT Recognition Award last night by the National Association of State Chief Information Officers in acknowledgement of the system's development. The award was presented during the organization's annual conference. ContaCT was developed in the spring of 2020 during the initial outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. Recognizing that Connecticut's most recent contact tracing system for vaccine preventable diseases – which included an antiquated paper-based process with spreadsheets to manage cases – was not up to the task of handling the volume of cases and contacts that COVID-19 was anticipated to produce, Governor Lamont directed an enterprise system be developed. The goal was to create a system that integrates with existing surveillance systems, facilitates real-time information sharing among health partners, enables sharing of contact tracers between state and local efforts, positions

the state to quickly step in to help local health departments that became overwhelmed, and automates case and contact interviews to improve speed and efficiency.

<https://portal.ct.gov/Office-of-the-Governor/News/Press-Releases/2021/10-2021/Governor-Lamont-Congratulates-Connecticut-Contact-Tracing-and-Information-Technology-Teams>



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## 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)**

NYC DOHMH launched a new variants data page. The data on this page show how variants of the virus that causes COVID-19 are spreading in NYC. Variants are versions of the virus with certain

sets of mutations. Some variants may result in a COVID-19 infection that is easier to spread, more severe or able to avoid antibodies from vaccines or previous infections.

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

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 October 17, 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 October 14, 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 October 18, 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 October 18, 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 October 18, 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/>



## Center for Disaster Medicine Media

### New York Medical College News:

#### **NYMC Center of Excellence in Precision Responses to Bioterrorism and Disasters Receives \$250,000 in Funding**

River Journal

10/18/2021

<https://riverjournalonline.com/schools/nymc-center-of-excellence-in-precision-responses-to-bioterrorism-and-disasters-receives-250000-in-funding/27133/>

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## **NY Assembly grants \$250K to New York Medical College to help first responders**

News 12 Westchester

10/13/2021

<https://westchester.news12.com/ny-assembly-grants-250k-to-new-york-medical-college-to-help-first-responders>

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