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## Center for Disaster Medicine



**Tuesday, April 5, 2022**

***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 Statistic**

	Total Cases	Total Deaths	Total Vaccine Doses Admin.
Worldwide	493,667,409	6,169,813	11,003,381,292
United States	81,495,644	997,126	560,518,319
New Jersey	2,204,645	33,259	16,853,597
New York	5,010,041	68,007	38,442,440
Connecticut	738,544	10,779	7,421,163

Information as of 4/5/22 at 0600 EDT. Source: <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/map.html>

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



### **Center for Disaster Medicine Updates**

- 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.
- On March 30, 2022, CDM staff George W. Contreras was keynote speaker for Venezuelan Medical Society in Emergencies and Disasters virtual symposium. He discussed the NYC response regarding COVID-19 from a public health and emergency management perspective.

## **The White House**

On April 4, 2022, Press Secretary Jen Psaki released a statement regarding the COVID-19 Bipartisan Funding Proposal- The Administration requested \$22.5 billion to continue to provide critical protections like vaccines, boosters, treatments, and tests to people here at home and for help putting shots in arms around the world. Every dollar we requested is essential and we will continue to work with Congress to get all of the funding we need.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/04/04/statement-from-press-secretary-jen-psaki-on-the-covid-19-bipartisan-funding-proposal/>

On March 30, 2022, President Biden provided an update regarding the status of the Country's Fight Against COVID-19- President Biden including the launch of a new government website which will provide all the information regarding covid in one site- [www.covid.gov](http://www.covid.gov).

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/speeches-remarks/2022/03/30/remarks-by-president-biden-on-the-status-of-the-countrys-fight-against-covid-19/>

On March 30, 2022, Biden Administration Launches COVID.gov, a New One-Stop Shop Website for Vaccines, Tests, Treatments, Masks, and the Latest COVID-19 Information- a new website was launched in an effort to consolidate information for consumers.

<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2022/03/30/fact-sheet-biden-administration-launches-covid-gov-a-new-one-stop-shop-website-for-vaccines-tests-treatments-masks-and-the-latest-covid-19-information/>

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 April 4, 2022, Biden-Harris Administration Announced a New Way for Medicare Beneficiaries to Get Free Over-the-Counter COVID-19 Tests- The Biden-Harris Administration is announced that more than 59 million Americans with Medicare Part B, including those enrolled in a Medicare Advantage plan, now have access to Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved, authorized, or cleared over-the-counter COVID-19 tests at no cost. People with Medicare can get up to eight tests per calendar month from participating pharmacies and health care providers for the duration of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2022/04/04/biden-harris-administration-announces-new-way-medicare-beneficiaries-get-free-over-counter-covid-19-tests.html>

For the latest COVID-19 information from HHS

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

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

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

On March 31, 2022, NIH experts discuss controlling COVID-19 in commentary on herd immunity- Achieving classical herd immunity against SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, may not be attainable, according to a new perspective published in *The Journal of Infectious Diseases*. However, widespread use of currently available public health interventions to prevent and control COVID-19 will enable resumption of most activities of daily life with minimal disruption, the authors note. Anthony S. Fauci, M.D., director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), part of NIH, David M. Morens, M.D., senior scientific advisor to the NIAID director, and Gregory K. Folkers, chief of staff to the NIAID director, authored the perspective.

<https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/nih-experts-discuss-controlling-covid-19-commentary-herd-immunity>

On March 31, 2022, NIH began clinical trial evaluating second COVID-19 booster shots in adults- A Phase 2 clinical trial evaluating various additional COVID-19 booster shots has begun enrolling adult participants in the United States. The trial aims to understand if different vaccine regimens—prototype and variant vaccines alone and in combinations—can broaden immune responses in adults who already have received a primary vaccination series and a first booster shot. The study, known as the COVID-19 Variant Immunologic Landscape (COVAIL) trial, is sponsored by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), part of the National Institutes of Health.

<https://www.nih.gov/news-events/news-releases/nih-begins-clinical-trial-evaluating-second-covid-19-booster-shots-adults>

View the latest COVID-19 information from NIH.

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

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

On April 1, 2022, 425 tests and sample collection devices are authorized by the FDA under emergency use authorizations (EUAs). These include 293 molecular tests and sample collection devices, 84 antibody and other immune response tests and 48 antigen tests. There are 74 molecular authorizations and 1 antibody authorization that can be used with home-collected samples. There is one EUA for a molecular prescription at-home test, two EUAs for antigen prescription at-home tests, 15 EUAs for antigen over-the-counter (OTC) at-home tests, and three for molecular OTC at-home tests. The FDA has authorized 28 antigen tests and nine molecular tests for serial screening programs. The FDA has also authorized 910 revisions to EUA authorizations.

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/fda-roundup-april-1-2022>

On March 29, 2022, FDA Authorizes Second Booster Dose of Two COVID-19 Vaccines for Older and Immunocompromised Individuals- the U.S. Food and Drug Administration authorized a second booster dose of either the Pfizer-BioNTech or the Moderna COVID-19 vaccines for older people and certain immunocompromised individuals. The FDA previously authorized a single booster dose for certain immunocompromised individuals following completion of a three-dose primary vaccination series. This action will now make a second booster dose of these vaccines available to other populations at higher risk for severe disease, hospitalization and death. Emerging evidence suggests that a second booster dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine improves protection against severe COVID-19 and is not associated with new safety concerns.

<https://www.fda.gov/news-events/press-announcements/coronavirus-covid-19-update-fda-authorizes-second-booster-dose-two-covid-19-vaccines-older-and>

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 April 4, 2022, the CDC announced updates regarding testing strategies for SARS-CoV2- Effective April 4, 2022, HHS and CDC announced revisions to COVID-19 laboratory reporting guidance. Reporting of negative results for non-NAAT tests (rapid or antigen test results) is no longer required. However, testing sites must still report data for all positive diagnostic and screening testing completed for each individual test.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/lab/resources/sars-cov2-testing-strategies.html>

On April 2, 2022, the CDC provided updated information regarding how to stay update with the COVID-19 vaccines.

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/stay-up-to-date.html>

On March 31, 2022, New CDC data illuminate youth mental health threats during the COVID-19 pandemic- New CDC analyses, published today, shine additional light on the mental health of U.S. high school students during the COVID-19 pandemic, including a disproportionate level of threats that some students experienced. According to the new data, in 2021, more than a third (37 percent) of high school students reported they experienced poor mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic, and 44 percent reported they persistently felt sad or hopeless during the past year.

<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2022/p0331-youth-mental-health-covid-19.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) +**

On April 4, 2022, CMS announced that Medicare Covers Over-the-Counter COVID-19 Tests- Medicare has a new initiative that will cover up to eight over-the-counter COVID-19 tests each calendar month, at no cost to you.

<https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/medicare-covers-over-counter-covid-19-tests>

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 April 5, 2022, the FDA has granted Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) to Janssen/Johnson & Johnson. On August 23, 2021, the FDA granted full approval to Pfizer. On January 31, 2022, the FDA granted full approval to Moderna. Now with two vaccines with full FDA approval and one vaccine 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 US 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>

On April 4, 2022, Governor Hochul updated New Yorkers on the state's progress combating COVID-19. Governor Hochul also received her second booster shot, the Pfizer



COVID-19 booster. Governor Hochul received a Johnson & Johnson vaccine in March 2021 and received her first booster dose, of the Moderna COVID-19 booster, in October 2021.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-updates-new-yorkers-states-progress-combating-covid-19-228>

On April 4, 2022, Governor Hochul announced the launch of new media ads to boost vaccination rates among children in New York State. The media rollout is just the latest component of the New York State Department of Health's #VaxForKids initiative, furthering the administration's commitment to making the health and well-being of children and families a top priority. "The COVID-19 vaccine is doctor-approved, and it is the single best tool to keep our children and families from getting seriously ill or hospitalized," Governor Hochul. "This new media campaign will help ensure parents are hearing directly from pediatricians and trusted health care providers, so they know just how critical it is to get their children vaccinated. Parents and guardians, if you haven't already, please talk to your child's pediatrician about getting the vaccine, and the booster dose once they are eligible."

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-launch-new-ads-featuring-pediatricians-encouraging-parents-get-their>

On April 2, 2022, Governor Hochul announced eligibility for second COVID-19 vaccine booster doses. Booster doses are free and widely available statewide, including at all state-run mass vaccination sites. Eligible New Yorkers may receive an mRNA vaccine—either the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine—for their second booster shot. "Second boosters are now available to eligible New Yorkers statewide, including at all of the State's mass vaccination sites," Governor Hochul said. "Getting vaccinated and staying up-to-date with all recommended doses is the most effective way to prevent severe illness and hospitalization, and move safely forward through this pandemic."

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-eligibility-second-covid-19-vaccine-boosters>

On March 31, 2022, Governor Hochul announced that nearly 70 million COVID-19 over-the-counter tests have been distributed by the State so far as part of ongoing efforts to protect New Yorkers during the pandemic. "As we've seen throughout the pandemic, test kits are a critical tool in the fight to stop the spread of COVID-19 and prevent exposure to others," Governor Hochul said. "We have already distributed nearly 70 million COVID-19 tests, and we will continue to focus our efforts on distributing at-home tests to New Yorkers and build up our stockpile so we can bolster our preparedness for the future, keep our communities safe, and safely move forward through this pandemic."

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-nearly-70-million-covid-19-tests-so-far-distributed-new-yorkers>

On March 29, 2022, Governor Hochul issued a letter to the New York Congressional delegation illustrating the need for additional federal funding for the national COVID-19 response to ensure preparedness for future variants. This funding will help New Yorkers continue to move safely forward through the pandemic.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-issues-letter-new-york-congressional-delegation-requesting-additional-federal>

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. As of January 31, 2022, the fully FDA approved Moderna vaccine will now be known as SPIKEVAX for ages 18 and older.

<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**

- K-12
  - Governor Kathy Hochul of New York announced up to \$50 million in available funding for school districts to improve student access to mental health resources and assist students who have experienced trauma that has impacted their education. A Request for Proposals has been issued by the New York State Office of Mental Health, who will administer the program. "Young students have been particularly hard-hit by the COVID-19 pandemic, suffering disruptions in their education, social lives and recreational activities and opportunities," Governor Hochul said. "I have heard the concerns from many parents and educators about the impact that COVID-19 has had on our children's well-being. This funding will help ensure that every student who has experienced trauma that has impacted their education can receive the necessary mental health resources they need and deserve." A total of up to \$10 million each year over five years will be available and distributed to eligible school districts. Awards shall not exceed \$500,000 per applicant annually. Continued funding past the

first year will be contingent on timely reporting, satisfactory progress in meeting chosen grant objectives, and the availability of funds.

<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-50-million-available-increase-student-access-mental-health-services>

### **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 the launch of applications for two tourism grant programs designed to support and revitalize New York State's tourism and hospitality industry. The \$100 million Tourism Return-to-Work grant program and the \$25 million Meet in New York grant program were first announced in November as part of the governor's nation-leading "Bring Back Tourism, Bring Back Jobs" initiative. Both programs will now be making full applications available to tourism businesses, convention and conference centers, and licensed overnight lodging facilities that have qualified for the program. "The pandemic challenged the entire New York State business community, but its effects were especially damaging to our tourism and hospitality professionals," Governor Hochul said. "These programs are targeted to get help businesses rehire workers and bring new, world-class conventions and events to our communities - sparking the statewide economic engine that is tourism. New York is the most exciting, most vibrant, and most engaging place on the planet, and we need to do all we can to invite and welcome visitors from around the world."  
<https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-launch-applications-125-million-relief-programs-supporting-states>
- Governor Hochul announced that nearly 70 million COVID-19 over-the-counter tests have been distributed by the State so far as part of ongoing efforts to protect New Yorkers during the pandemic. <https://www.governor.ny.gov/news/governor-hochul-announces-nearly-70-million-covid-19-tests-so-far-distributed-new-yorkers>
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## **New York State Department of Health (DOH)**

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>

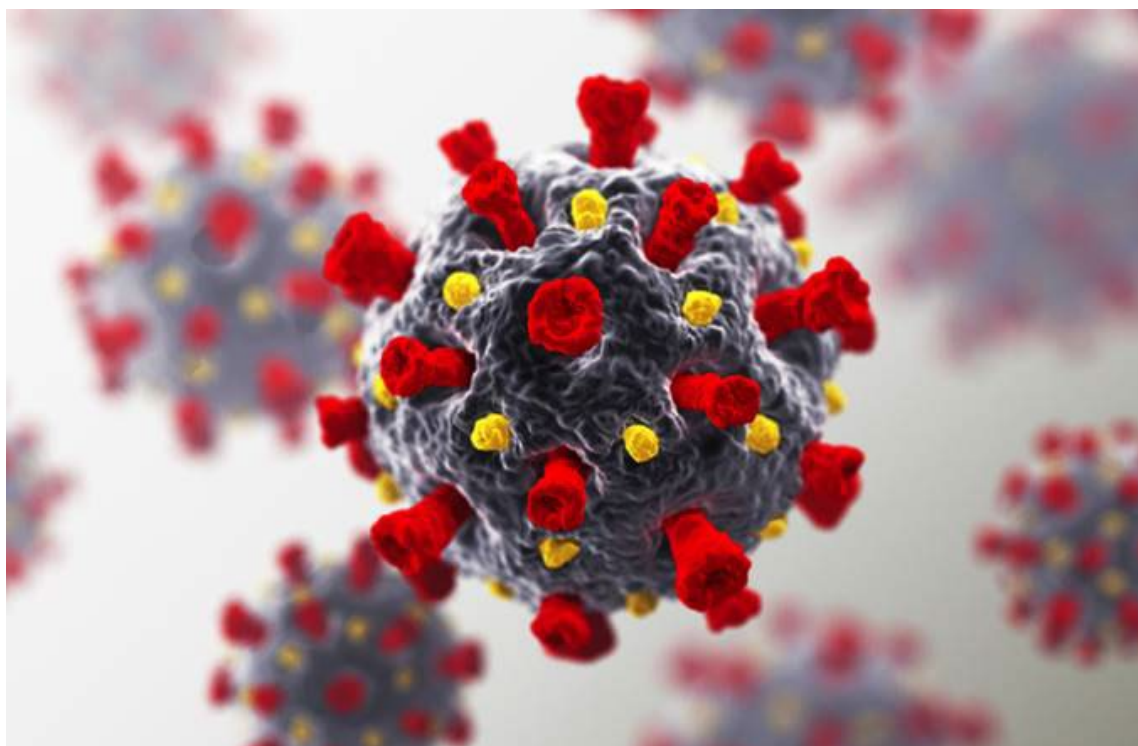
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## **New Jersey**

- Governor Phil Murphy and the New Jersey Department of Education (DOE) announced that nearly \$18 million in federal American Rescue Plan (ARP) State Fiscal Recovery Funds will be allocated to reimburse local educational agencies (LEAs) for additional special education services provided to students who were impacted by COVID-19 related school disruptions but would otherwise have reached the maximum age of eligibility for public school services (21 years old), as required by legislation (S3434) signed by the Governor in June 2021. The legislation signed by the Governor in June 2021 requires LEAs to offer up to one year of additional or compensatory special education for impacted students in the 2020-2021, 2021-2022, and 2022-2023 school years, if a determination is made by the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) team that the student requires such services. DOE did comprehensive outreach to inform the special education community of the availability of additional services and

encouraged eligible students to opt-in to the program. The funding allocation announced today will reimburse LEAs for the first cohort of eligible students. DOE plans to continue comprehensive outreach efforts to ensure that the needs of the impacted student population are met.

<https://nj.gov/governor/news/news/562022/approved/20220401a.shtml>



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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 April 3, 2022

<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 April 1, 2022.

<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 April 4, 2022.

<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 April 4, 2022.

<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 April 1, 2022.

<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/>



### **Faculty News:**

**Even as restrictions loosen, we must all stay vigilant against COVID-19 | Opinion**

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<https://www.lohud.com/story/news/paterson-press/2022/03/29/covid-19-restrictions-loosen-but-danger-looms/7185881001/>

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**New Study Says Post-COVID Brain Fog Is Real: Patch Q&A**

Patch

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<https://patch.com/new-york/pleasantville/new-study-suggests-post-covid-brain-fog-real-patch-q>

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**Westchester Medical Center study finds COVID long-haulers suffer memory, cognitive issues**

News 12 Westchester

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<https://westchester.news12.com/westchester-medical-center-study-finds-covid-long-haulers-suffer-memory-cognitive-issues>

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