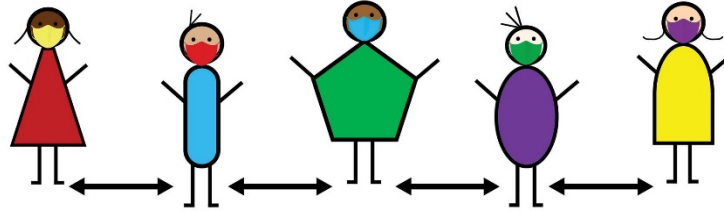


#MasksOnHartford



VERMONT COVID-19 **UPDATES** FOR HARTFORD RESIDENTS

APRIL 12, 2021

COVID-19 VACCINE

1. CURRENT ELIGIBILITY:

- **All Vermonters aged 30+**
- Vermonters aged 16+ with [qualifying high-risk health conditions](#)
- Parents and caregivers of children under 16 with [qualifying high-risk health conditions](#)
- All BIPOC Vermonters and their households
- **Employment-Based Eligibility:** HEALTH CARE, PUBLIC SAFETY & CORRECTIONS, SCHOOLS & CHILDCARE

2. **REMAINING VACCINE ELIGIBILITY TIMELINE**

Ages 16+

Registration opens April 19

Vermont college students with out of state addresses

Registration opens April 30

3. MAKING AN APPOINTMENT:

- **ONLINE:** Go to healthvermont.gov/myvaccine to create an account. Use this account to schedule your appointment when you are eligible.
- **BY PHONE:** To schedule by phone or for translation services, call 855-722-7878.
- **HOMEBOUND Vermonters** may call 833-722-0860 to arrange for in-home vaccination.
- **BIPOC Vermonters:** there are [special vaccine clinics](#) around the state for Vermonters of color and their household members aged 16+.
- NOTE: if you get a vaccine before your scheduled appointment (thru a pop-up vaccine clinic, for example), please CANCEL your original appointment to prevent vaccine waste.

4. FULLY-VACCINATED

You are considered fully-vaccinated 14 days after your final COVID-19 shot!

COVID-19 PREVENTION

Cases of COVID-19 are rising and we are still losing Vermonters to COVID-19! Please continue to protect yourself, your family, and our community by following these best practices:

- ✓ **Get vaccinated** when you are eligible
- ✓ **Stay home** when sick and **get tested**
- ✓ **Wash hands** frequently and **avoid touching your face**
- ✓ **Wear masks** outside the home
- ✓ Maintain **6-foot spaces** with people outside your household
- ✓ Keep your **social circle small**
- ✓ **Avoid crowded or poorly-ventilated places**

MASKS are still required in public in Vermont, even for fully-vaccinated people.

- Make sure your mask fits snugly against your face covering your nose, mouth, and chin.
- Wear multiple layers such as a cloth mask with 2+ layers of fabric, 2 cloth masks, or a disposable mask underneath a cloth mask.
- Do **not** use masks with valves or vents, bandanas, gaiters, or single-layer masks.

RESTRICTIONS ON SOCIAL GATHERINGS

Unvaccinated or Not Fully Vaccinated	Fully Vaccinated
✳️ If you or someone in your household is at higher-risk for severe COVID-19 , everyone should wear a mask and stay 6 feet apart at all gatherings.	You are fully vaccinated 14 days after your final shot. Since children under 16 cannot get vaccinated at this time, a household with children is not considered a fully vaccinated household.
If you live alone, you may gather with people who live in one other household. ✳️	You may do OUTDOOR recreation and fitness activities with anyone. ✳️
You may do OUTDOOR recreation and fitness activities with anyone. Masks and 6-foot distancing are required except with fully vaccinated people.	You may gather with ONE unvaccinated person or household at a time without masks or physical distancing. ✳️
You may gather with ONE other unvaccinated person or household at a time, with or without fully-vaccinated people. Masks and 6-foot distancing are required.	You may gather with TWO unvaccinated people or households at a time. Masks and 6-foot distancing are required.
You may gather with multiple fully vaccinated people or households. ✳️	You may gather with other fully vaccinated people or households. ✳️

OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL AND COVID-19 TESTING

1. **Unvaccinated Vermonters** must get a PCR COVID-19 test within 3 days of returning to Vermont. You do not need to quarantine while you wait for a result. **But if you have any symptoms**, stay home and away from other people until you know your test results.
 - a. **Travel for essential purposes** is exempt from COVID-19 testing requirement.
 - b. **Same-day Border-Town Travel** into New Hampshire for allowed activities (worship, gym/fitness, outdoor recreation, haircuts) is exempt from COVID-19 testing requirement.
 - c. Overnight travel and day trips for social gatherings, ceremonies, dining, or indoor entertainment venues like a movie theater or bowling alley all require COVID-19 testing upon return to Vermont.
2. **Vaccinated Vermonters** do not need to get tested unless they develop symptoms.
3. **People who had COVID-19 within the last 3 months** and have recovered do not need to test unless they develop new symptoms.
4. **Unvaccinated people planning to visit Vermont** must have a COVID-19 test within 3 days **before** arriving.

COVID-19 TESTING

- **SYMPTOMATIC:** If you develop **any symptom** of COVID-19 illness, please contact your health care provider or call 211 to get a referral for testing. Stay home until you receive a negative test result. It's easy to mistake mild COVID-19 for a cold.
- **NO SYMPTOMS:** If you are concerned you may have been exposed or need a test before travel, after travel, or for any other reason, you may get a **FREE VT Department of Health test by registering online.** (The nearest VDH test site is in Fairlee, VT.) Your health care provider and some pharmacies may also offer testing for asymptomatic people.