

Philadelphia COVID-19 Vaccine Newsletter

Philadelphia Department of Public Health

The Latest Numbers

- 1,491,672 people ages 18 and up (95%) got at least one dose of vaccine and 1,196,040 people ages 18 and up (78.9%) are fully vaccinated in Philadelphia, as of February 1st, 2022.
- 78.9% of people ages 12 and up and over 46.6% of children ages 5 – 11 years old have received at least one dose of the Pfizer vaccine.
- 367,346 people ages 18 and up (29.6%) have received booster doses.
- Find the newest information on the PDPH COVID-19 webpage at phila.gov/COVID or on the Department's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.

Latest COVID Vaccine News

- Big news! Philadelphia gave over 3 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine so far!
 - Philadelphia is one of the best-vaccinated big cities in the country and has one of the lowest numbers of cases of COVID-19 in the region.
 - We still have work to do to get the vaccine to people who need it.
- Moderna is approved by the FDA .
 - The Moderna vaccine is now approved for use by the FDA, and is no longer being used under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).
 - Moderna will now be advertised as Spikevax (yes, that is the real name).
 - More information about SpikeVax is available at: <https://bit.ly/SpikeVax>
- Get Free N-95 masks from the CDC.
 - List of participating pharmacies can be found at: <https://bit.ly/FreeN95>
 - Scroll down the page for a complete list of pharmacies in Philadelphia.
 - PDPH has no information on how long supplies will last.
- Stealth Omicron sub-variant identified.
 - A sub-variant of Omicron, commonly called Stealth Omicron, has been found in some areas of the country.
 - There have been no cases of Stealth Omicron found in Philadelphia as of February 1, 2022.
 - Stealth Omicron is very similar to Omicron. Research is ongoing, but Stealth Omicron may make it easier for vaccinated people to get COVID-19.
 - Take the same precautions to keep each other safe:
 - Get vaccinated/boosted: <https://www.phila.gov/vaccine>
 - Being fully vaccinated and boosted is the best way to keep from getting severe COVID, and can help lower your chance of catching COVID.
 - Wear a mask when around others, two if you are in a crowded space.
 - Stay home if you're sick.
 - Get tested if you've been exposed or are feeling symptoms: www.phila.gov/testing

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

- **Where to find a COVID-19 vaccine:**
 - Call 3-1-1 or visit phila.gov/vaccine or vaccines.gov to find a vaccine clinic near you.
 - For interpretation, call 3-1-1, press #5 and say your language.
 - Vaccine is free, no insurance or ID required!
- **Where to find a COVID-19 test:**
 - Visit www.COVIDtests.gov to order your free at-home rapid COVID-19 test kits.

- Call 3-1-1 or visit phila.gov/testing to find a site near you (available in 6 languages).
- Testing is FREE at most sites in Philadelphia.
- Testing event schedule is available here: <https://bit.ly/COVIDtestingevents>
- **Lost Vaccination Card?**
 - Ask your healthcare provider first, if they cannot help, call 215-685-5488 or email covid@phila.gov to request a copy of your vaccine record.
 - The CDC does not provide copies of COVID-19 vaccination card.
- **Have an upcoming public health event happening in your community?**
 - Send us an email at COVIDVax@phila.gov with a file of your event flyer at least two weeks in advance and we will advertise your event on our social media!

More Information

- Get updates on transportation and access and functional needs resources, as well as an up-to-date access description of City-run clinics at <https://bit.ly/KnowB4Ugo>
- **Disability Health Forum video with ASL:** <https://bit.ly/Nov2021DisabilityHealthForum>
 - Includes current topics, FAQs and more. Current as of November 19, 2021.
 - For future disability health announcements, contact liam.dougherty@phila.gov
- **Questions on all 3 vaccines from PDPH:** <https://bit.ly/COVIDvaxFAQ-PDPH> (English) and from the CDC at <https://bit.ly/COVIDvaxFAQ-CDC> (English, Chinese, Vietnamese, Korean, and more).

How to Stay Connected

- **Philadelphia Coronavirus Helpline** - 800-722-7112, press #9 for interpretation. Open 24/7!
 - Talk to a medical professional about COVID-19 symptoms, exposure, vaccine, tests, Etc.
- Text COVIDPHL to 888-777 and get updates on your phone and find the latest information at phila.gov/COVID, facebook.com/phillyhealth and [twitter @PHLPublicHealth](https://twitter.com/PHLPublicHealth)
- This newsletter is sent to the [Community Response Partner Network](https://bit.ly/phlcommunityresponse) Sign up at <https://bit.ly/phlcommunityresponse> to get essential public health information, then pass it on to your family, friends, and community.
- Questions or suggestions? Email us at COVIDVax@phila.gov or leave a message with the Public Health Preparedness Program Outreach Team at 215-429-3016.

Be safe!