



Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr. COVID-19 Vaccines Fact Sheet



The COVID-19 vaccine distribution process seeks to make vaccines available across America as quickly and safely as possible. As doses are authorized by the federal government, the vaccine will be transported to states and jurisdictions across the country.

On December 11, 2020, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued the first emergency use authorization (EUA) for use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine in persons aged 16 years and older. On December 18, 2020, FDA issued the second EUA for use of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine in persons aged 18 years and older.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends initial COVID-19 vaccinations to be offered to health care personnel and residents of long-term care facilities. States and jurisdictions will ultimately decide who will receive the vaccines. [Learn more about how CDC is making vaccine recommendations.](#)

New Jersey plans to offer COVID-19 vaccines to all adults who live, work, or are being educated in the state. While the State's current plan is highlighted below, it can be continually updated based on changing circumstances. New Jersey's goal is to vaccinate 70 percent of the adult population – or 4.7 million adults – within six months.

Vaccine Distribution in New Jersey

Vaccinations are underway for paid and unpaid persons serving in health care facilities; long-term care residents and staff through the federal Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program with Walgreens and CVS; sworn law enforcement, fire professionals, and other first responders; individuals over 65; and individuals 16-64 with certain medical conditions. [Find out if you are eligible.](#)

If you are eligible to receive a vaccine, there are three ways to get vaccinated:

- You can make an appointment directly with one of the many designated vaccination sites across the state. [Click here to view a full list of these designated vaccination sites.](#)
- You can pre-register for the vaccine on the NJ Vaccine Scheduling System, and you will be notified when an appointment is available to you. [Click here to visit the NJ Vaccine Scheduling System.](#)
- Select health care facilities, including many hospitals, are offering vaccines to directly to their workers. If you work at one of the facilities, you can contact your employer to learn if the vaccine is available to you from your employer.

Learn more about where, how, and when you can get vaccinated at this [Frequently Asked Questions page](#). You can learn more about the vaccine distribution and administration process at [the Department of Health COVID-19 Vaccine page](#).

Questions can be answered by calling Congressman Pascrell's **Paterson office at (973) 523-5152** and **Washington, D.C. office at (202) 225-5751**.



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