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2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Weekly Update #68 – March 18, 2021

Bernards Township COVID-19 Testing

See below information for upcoming COVID-19 Testing on **March 25, 2021**

Bernards Township Community Center
289 South Maple Ave

Basking Ridge, NJ

Appointments begin at 9am



[Register Here!](#)

[View flyer here \(English\)](#)

[View flyer here \(Spanish\)](#)

VaccineFinder

VaccineFinder is a free, online service where users can search for locations that offer vaccinations. They work with partners such as clinics, pharmacies and health departments to provide accurate and up-to-date information about vaccination services. VaccineFinder is operated by epidemiologists and software developers at Boston Children's Hospital. <https://vaccinefinder.org/>

Combat COVID – Help Develop Vaccines & Treatments

Scientists and healthcare providers still need your help to develop safe and effective vaccines and treatments to prevent and treat COVID-19.

- [If you have COVID-19 now](#), learn what your treatment options are or how to join a clinical trial. Learn more about **monoclonal antibody (mAb) treatment**. Early evidence suggests that mAb treatment can reduce the severity of COVID-19 symptoms. [Find infusion locations](#).
- [If you've never had COVID-19](#), you can join a clinical trial for these vaccines or for other ways to prevent the disease.
- [If you've had COVID-19 in the past](#), you can donate plasma or blood to help.

Learn More About the J&J Vaccine

On Feb 27, 2021 the US FDA issued an [Emergency Use Authorization](#) for the third vaccine for preventing COVID-19. The EUA allows for the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine to be distributed for use in individuals 18 years and older via a single dose administration. [Learn more from the CDC](#).

Access Dedicated COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments for 65+

Directly Call Senior Specific Lines

- Seniors **65 and older** can call 856-249-7007 (Senior specific NJ COVID Call Center hotline, available 8am-8pm) to register, schedule and reschedule appointments as needed.

Receive Calls from the NJ COVID Vaccine Call Center

- Seniors **75 and older** can be put on a designated waitlist to receive calls or messages from the NJ COVID Vaccine Call Center to schedule dedicated appointments at Walmart.
 - ~**60 sites** being activated around the state.
 - **Call** stores directly and find locations at <https://walmart.com/store/directory/nj>
 - These sites may have dedicated appointments for those 65 and older.

Schedule Directly with Pharmacies and Other Sites

- Seniors **65 and older** may be able to access dedicated appointments at certain hospitals as well as the following retail pharmacies across the state:
 - **CVS:** (800) 746-7287 – <https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine>
 - **Rite Aid:** (800) 748-3243 – <http://riteaid/newjersey>
 - **Walgreens:** 1-800-9254-73367 (1-800-WALGREENS) <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19> - for Walgreens account holders only.

COVID-19 Vaccines & Breastfeeding, Pregnancy and Fertility

The decision to get vaccinated is a personal choice. Any of the currently authorized COVID-19 vaccines can be offered to people who are pregnant or breastfeeding. If you have questions about getting vaccination, a conversation with your healthcare provider is recommended but not required.

- [NJDOH - COVID-19 Vaccine – Questions on Fertility](#)
- [CDC – Pregnancy or Breastfeeding – COVID-19](#)
- [American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists – Vaccinating Pregnant and Lactating Patients Against COVID-19](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ – American Academy of Pediatrics](#)

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2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Resources and Links

COVID-19 Case Graphs per Municipality – Case counts come directly from raw data imported from Commcare by the Bernards Township Health Department.

Somerset County

- [Bernards Township](#)
- [Bernardsville Borough](#)
- [Peapack and Gladstone Boroughs](#)

Morris County

- [Chester Borough](#)
- [Long Hill Township](#)
- [Mendham Borough](#)

COVID-19 Weekly Activity Reports

- Provides data on COVID-19 transmission by six regions in NJ.
- Updated every Thursday.
- Used to determine school exclusion and other re-openings.
- This week NJ is overall **HIGH RISK**. Central West (Somerset) is **High**, and Northwest (Morris) is **High**.
- Click [here](#) to view this week's report ending March 13th.
- Click [here](#) to view past week's reports.

NJ COVID-19 Vaccine Resources

- **Pre-Register for the Vaccine through NJVSS (NJ Vaccine Scheduling System) – <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/>**
- <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>
- https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/covid2019_vaccination.shtml
- [CDC COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ](#)

New Jersey COVID-19 Resources

- <https://covid19.nj.gov/> - Visit this webpage to get information on all things COVID-19 in New Jersey.
- COVID-19 New Jersey Dashboard + Positive Test Results available [here](#). Now including trends, hospital census, long term care facilities, psychiatric hospitals, demographics, contact tracing and school info. Updated daily.
- Somerset County NJ COVID-19 Status Dashboard available [here](#).
- Morris County NJ COVID-19 Status Dashboard available [here](#).
- Phone/Text Lines:
 - 2-1-1 for General COVID-19 questions (7am-11 pm)
 - 1-800-962-1253 for Medical Questions (24/7)
 - Text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive alerts.
 - Download COVID Alert NJ app [here](#)
- NJ COVID-19 Vaccine Phone Lines
 - State of NJ Hotline – (855) 568-0545 – Get help scheduling a COVID-19 vaccination appointment. Staffed with live agents from 8am-8pm daily.
 - Somerset County Hotline – (908) 231-7155 – Get answers to your questions about COVID-19 Testing and Vaccinations. M-F 8:30am-8:00pm, Sat 10:00am-4:00pm.
 - Morris County COVID-19 Hotline – (973) 829-8250 – Staffed 7 days a week during business hours.

Testing Updates – Click [here](#) for more information on free testing across New Jersey

- **NJ Testing Sites** – [click here](#) for the most up to date information including new locations and testing criteria.
 - **Morris County** – [Click here for Morris County Testing Locations.](#)
 - **Somerset County** – [Click here for Somerset County Testing Locations.](#)

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