



## **COVID-19 Daily Update**

### **April 16, 2021**

New or updated information is in red and bold

This update is available online at [healthvermont.gov/covid19](https://healthvermont.gov/covid19)  
Click the “See the Daily Update” button

### **Vermonters age 16, 17 & 18 can make their vaccine appointments starting Saturday (April 17) at 10 a.m.; All Vermonters age 16 and up will be eligible on Monday**

State officials announced at Friday’s press conference that Vermonters who are age 16, 17 and 18 can now make appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine starting tomorrow (Saturday, April 17) at 10 a.m.

In addition, on Monday, April 19, all remaining age groups - from age 16 and up - will be able to make vaccine appointments as originally planned, but at an earlier time than usual – starting online at 6 a.m.

The 16-18 age group was moved up two days ahead of schedule to allow 16- and 17-year-olds greater opportunity to get appointments for the Pfizer vaccine, which is the only vaccine they can receive. Eighteen-year-olds can get Pfizer or Moderna, but were included in the group since many are high school seniors, officials said.

“As you know, I’ve made getting kids back into school a priority,” said Governor Phil Scott. “This step will help give those kids the opportunity to register for Pfizer doses a bit earlier, which is their only vaccine option at this time, and possibly enjoy the end of the school year in a more normal way.”

You can make an appointment by visiting [healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine](https://healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine).

Learn what 16- and 17-year-olds need to know about making an appointment:  
<https://apps.health.vermont.gov/COVID/faq/#4849>.

Help us spread the word about these changes, especially if you have a teenager in your life!

## Information about the Johnson & Johnson vaccine pause available in multiple languages

Visit our [Multilingual Resources web page](#) to find new videos about the pause in use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, created by the Multilingual Task Force. Written materials are also available in Spanish.

The videos are available in Spanish, Arabic, Burmese, French, Kirundi, Maay Maay, Nepali, Somali, Swahili, and Vietnamese. They are also available on the [Multilingual Task Force's YouTube page](#).

Feel free to share with community partners who may find them useful!

## Who are those hard-working public health staff working to respond to the pandemic? Meet them!

In January 2020, the Health Department activated its Health Operations Center to address an emerging concern that would become the global COVID-19 pandemic. Since then, hundreds of Health staff – with support from our state and community partners – have been working tirelessly behind the scenes to keep Vermonters safe, supported, and informed.

Visit our [newest web page](#) to meet some of the state's public health heroes who have shown exemplary service to their teams and Vermonters during the COVID-19 pandemic. There are many, many more staff members who have quietly given everything they have to this response every day. We wish we could recognize them all!

To all Vermonters from your Health Department staff – thank you for the sacrifices you have made this past year. We here for you and in this with you.

## COVID-19 Activity in Vermont

As of 12 p.m. on April 16, 2021

Data is updated daily.

Description	Number
New cases	141 (21,803 total)
Currently hospitalized	26
Hospitalized in ICU	3
Hospitalized under investigation	1
Percent Positive (7-day average)	1.9%
People tested	370,019
Total tests	1,470,251
Total people recovered	18,040
Deaths	242

Find more data on COVID-19 Activity at: [healthvermont.gov/currentactivity](https://healthvermont.gov/currentactivity).

### **COVID-19 Vaccine Data**

As of 12 p.m. on April 16, 2021

Data is updated Tuesdays through Saturdays.

Description	Number
Total people who have received least one dose of vaccine	279,422 (51% of population)
Total people who have completed vaccination	186,511 (34.1% of population)

Find more vaccine data on the COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard: [healthvermont.gov/covid19-vaccine-data](https://healthvermont.gov/covid19-vaccine-data).

### **Additional Resources About Vaccination and More**

- Find answers to your questions about the COVID-19 vaccine from the CDC: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/faq.html](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/faq.html).
- Get Vermont-specific information in our [Frequently Asked Questions](#).
- Sign up for [the COVID-19 Weekly Email Update](#).
- Find information sheets, posters and toolkits, as well as translated materials on our [Resources web page](#).

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