



COVID-19 Daily Update May 12, 2021

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Vermont to Open Vaccination to Ages 12 to 15 Thursday (May 13) at 8:15 a.m.

Vaccination registration will open to Vermonters ages 12 to 15 first thing Thursday morning, following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s action late Wednesday authorizing use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for this age group.

The Food & Drug Administration authorized this emergency use of the vaccine earlier this week. On Wednesday, the CDC’s Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices overwhelmingly recommended, and the CDC approved, this use of the vaccine, based on clinical trial data that found it to be safe and effective.

Parents and caregivers are encouraged to vaccinate these young Vermonters. It’s safe, easy and effective. Appointments can be made by visiting healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine. You can create an account, or use your existing account, adding the child as a dependent. Those making appointments for this age group will only see clinics with the Pfizer vaccine. If you need assistance, you can call 855-722-7878. Parental/caregiver consent is required for vaccination of this age group. Consent can be given as part of the online registration process or at a clinic in person.

The Health Department is working in partnership with the Agency of Education to offer school-based clinics with daytime and evening hours. These clinics will be updated in the vaccine registration system as soon as they are scheduled, and a listing can be found at the [Agency of Education’s website](#).

Making an appointment is the best way to guarantee a vaccine, but walk-in opportunities are also available and can be found on our website healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine. Anyone under 18 should be sure to only choose locations that offer the Pfizer vaccine.

Certain pharmacies, including CVS and Kinney Drugs, are also offering the Pfizer vaccine to this age group, with some having appointments or walk-in opportunities available right away.

Walk-in vaccine opportunities now available

Looking to walk in to a vaccine clinic without an appointment? You can! Check out the latest opportunities on our website: healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine and follow our [social media feeds @healthvermont](#) to stay up to date.

Remember that a clinic's vaccine supply for walk-ins is limited, so the best way to guarantee your vaccination is to make an appointment through our [website](#).

COVID-19 testing is important and available right near you

COVID-19 is a highly transmissible virus. Getting tested is not just the only way to know if you have the virus, it's also how we protect our loved ones and our communities.

If you are unvaccinated (including children) and traveled outside the state, you must have a COVID-19 test within 3 days of returning to Vermont. For more details, [visit our website](#).

And if you have any [symptom](#), no matter how mild, such as a headache, cough, fatigue or a runny nose, talk to your health care provider to get referred for testing. It's also important to avoid going to work, school or other places until you receive a negative result.

Even if you don't have symptoms, you can still have COVID-19 and not feel sick. If you don't have symptoms and want to get tested, there are [many test sites](#) now available around the state. It's free and easy!

COVID-19 Activity in Vermont

As of 12 p.m. on May 12, 2021

Data is updated daily.

Description	Number
New cases	28 (23,651 total)
Currently hospitalized	12
Hospitalized in ICU	2
Hospitalized under investigation	1
Percent Positive (7-day average)	1.1%
People tested	386,398
Total tests	1,642,637
Total people recovered	21,709
Deaths	252

Find more data on COVID-19 Activity at: healthvermont.gov/currentactivity.

COVID-19 Vaccine Data

As of 12 p.m. on May 12, 2021
Data is updated Tuesdays through Saturdays.

Description	Number
Total people who have received least one dose of vaccine	379,814 (69.4% of 16+ population)
Total people who have completed vaccination	275,528 (50.4% of 16+ population)

Find more vaccine data on the COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard: 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.
- 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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