



TOWNSHIP OF HOLMDEL

COVID-19 Update
February 26, 2021

Good evening. This is Mayor Greg Buontempo.

Tonight, I have good news. The New Jersey COVID-19 Activity Alert has dropped from **high** to **moderate** for the first time since November. Our social distancing and other efforts are reducing the spread of coronavirus, but we must remain diligent.

While the supply of COVID-19 vaccine remains limited, over 1.2 million New Jerseyans have received their first dose, including over 90,000 Monmouth County residents. On that note, if you are a senior citizen who does not have access to the internet or are a person with a functional disability that prevents you from registering for the vaccine on your own, please call my office for assistance. If you know anyone who needs help, please tell them to contact us.

At the beginning of this year, residents were encouraged to sign up on the New Jersey COVID-19 vaccine portal. It is now clear that most vaccination hubs are **not** using this website to schedule appointments. I recommend that Holmdel residents visit each individual vaccination center website to register for an appointment. You should register everywhere you can and when you are offered an appointment – take it! As I mentioned last week, this process will take patience, as most of these websites are only open when appointments are available.

Bayshore Medical Center would like residents to know not to be afraid to go to the hospital, especially for life threatening conditions like a heart attack or stroke. Bayshore is utilizing the latest technology to sanitize its facilities and protect patients. There is a separate “clean entryway” for those arriving for surgery. Please do not hesitate to visit the hospital if you need to.

Finally, for those who are interested in our current case numbers, Holmdel Township has **146 new** COVID-19 cases since the beginning of February. As of today, the Township has a cumulative total of **1,215** positive COVID-19 cases.

As always, I thank you for all you do to help move *Holmdel Forward*. Stay healthy and stay safe. Goodnight.

New Jersey Vaccination Portal website: <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>

*(IMPORTANT: This site will place you into a vaccine category but will **NOT** provide you with an appointment to receive a vaccine)*

New Jersey Vaccine Mega Sites:

1. Rockaway Townsquare Mall,
Rockaway **(OPEN):** <https://www.atlantichealth.org/conditions-treatments/coronavirus-covid-19/covid-vaccine/schedule-vaccine-appointment.html>
2. NJ Convention and Exposition Center,
Edison **(OPEN):** <https://www.rwjbh.org/patients-visitors/what-you-need-to-know-about-covid-19/schedule-a-vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-appointment-request-form/>
3. Moorestown Mall, Moorestown **(OPEN):** <https://www.virtua.org/vaccine>
4. Rowan University, Sewell **(OPEN):** <https://www.rcsj.edu/vaccine>
5. The Meadowlands Complex, East
Rutherford **(OPEN):** <https://www.hackensackmeridianhealth.org/covid19/>
6. Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic
City **(OPEN):** <https://vaccination.atlanticare.org/default.aspx>

New Jersey Vaccine Locations for Eligible Recipients:

(NOTE: not all these sites may have an available supply of vaccines)

<https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/covid-19-vaccine-locations-for-eligible-recipients>

Visiting Nurses Association Vaccine Site at Bell Works:

<https://vnachc.org/>

Bayshore Medical Center Vaccine

Registration: <https://www.hackensackmeridianhealth.org/covid19/>

Monmouth County Vaccination Site at Brookdale Community College:

<https://hipaa.jotform.com/210134615105137>

List of Medical Conditions Eligible to Receive a Vaccine:

- Asthma
- Cancer
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD)
- Down Syndrome
- Heart Conditions (heart failure, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathy, etc)
- Obesity
- Sickle Cell Disease
- Type-2 Diabetes
- Chronic smoker