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2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Weekly Update #64 – February 18, 2021

Bernards Township COVID-19 Testing

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

Bernards Township Community Center
289 South Maple Ave

Basking Ridge, NJ

Appointments begin at 9am [View flyer here \(English\)](#)



[Register Here!](#)

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

County Vaccine Sites

Please note some of these sites may be county only. This may help in scheduling an appointment for a loved one in another county:

- [Atlantic](#) – Atlantic City Mega-Site
- [Bergen](#) – [East Rutherford Mega-Site](#)
- [Burlington](#) – Moorestown Mega-Site
- [Camden](#)
- [Cumberland](#)
- [Essex](#) – Appointments released almost every day at 8 am. Will email date and time of appointment.
- [Gloucester](#) – Rowan College Mega-Site
- [Hudson](#) – Must live or work in Hudson County.
- [Hunterdon](#)
- [Middlesex](#) – Edison Mega-Site
- [Monmouth](#)
- [Morris](#) – Rockaway Mega-Site
- [Ocean](#)
- [Passaic](#)
- [Salem](#) – Only Salem County residents
- [Somerset](#)
- [Sussex](#) – Must live, work, or go to school in Sussex County.
- [Union](#)
- [Warren](#) – Must live, work, or go to school in Warren County.
- Register through NJVSS Only – [Cape May](#), [Mercer](#)

COVID-19 Variant Information

The CDC has released [updated information](#) on the COVID-19 [variant strains](#) that are being reported in the United States.

- **B.1.1.7** – “UK Variant” – 1,277 cases in US in 42 states. 38 cases in New Jersey.
- **B.1.351** – “South African Variant” – 19 cases in US in 10 states.
- **P.1** – “Brazilian Variant” – 3 cases in US in 2 states.

Viruses typically acquire mutations over time and new variants are not extremely unusual. Potential consequences of emerging variants can lead to more spread, can cause more severe disease and hospitalizations, can evade viral diagnostic tests, and has the potential to evade natural and/or vaccine induced immunity. Research is ongoing as to how the variant strain affects the effectiveness of the COVID-19 vaccine and reopening.

Tips for Vaccine Scheduling and Alternate Websites

- Join the “New Jersey Covid Vaccine Info” Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/891546924927251/>
- Follow @C19VaxxUpdates on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/c19vaxxupdates?s=21>
- CVS and Rite Aid have started scheduling COVID-19 vaccine appointments. Either check back frequently or follow social media to see when appointments are available:
<https://www.riteaid.com/pharmacy/covid-qualifier>
<https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine>
- **Centrastate Freehold NJ** – Registration will open periodically, and a link is emailed to you when you’re eligible to make an appointment: <https://centrastatevac.wpengine.com/vaccine-update/>
- **Holyname Teaneck NJ** - <https://rodda.holyname.org/COVID19VAC>
- **RWJ Barnabas Health** - <https://www.rwjbh.org/patients-visitors/what-you-need-to-know-about-covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-registration-faq>
- **Rowen Medicine** – <https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule.php?owner=16317686>
- **St Joseph’s Health** – <https://www.stjosephshealth.org/get-vaccinated>
- **Valley Health System** – <https://www.valleyhealth.com/covid-19-vaccine-eligibility>

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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 in **HIGH RISK** overall. Central West (Somerset) is **MODERATE RISK** and North West (Morris) is **HIGH RISK**.
- Click [here](#) to view this week's report ending February 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

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 Clinical Questions (24/7)
 - Text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive alerts
 - Text your zip code to 898-211 for live text assistance
- 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 – As of 2/18/21: 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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