

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Weekly Update #71 – April 8, 2021

Bernards Township COVID-19 Testing

See below information for upcoming COVID-19 Testing on April 15, 2021.

Bernards Township Community Center

289 South Maple Ave Basking Ridge, NJ Appointments begin at 9am Register Here!
View flyer (English)
View flyer (Spanish)

COVID-19 Vaccine Elibility Updates

Beginning April 5th

- Age 55 +
- Individuals Age 16+ with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities.
- Higher Education Educators and Support Staff.
- Communications, IT and Press.
- Real Estate, Building and Home Service Workers.
- Retail Financial Institution Workers.
- Sanitation Workers, Laundry Service Workers, Utility Workers.
- Librarians and Library Support Staff.

Beginning April 19th

• All New Jerseyans 16 +

All New Jerseyans can register for the vaccine through NJVSS (NJ Vaccine Scheduling System) or can schedule an appointment directly with vaccine locations. Find out more about eligibility here.

Vaccinating the Homebound and Other Populations

The BTHD has hired a Vulnerable Populations Outreach Coordinator to identify our most at-need residents within our jurisdictions to connect them to vaccine appointments. As we receive names and information, we are working to set up appointments for these individuals. We are working with Atlantic Visiting Nurses to secure home visits and vaccine. If you are aware of any vulnerable populations (seniors, disabled) or other residents that are not being engaged, please email covidvax@bernards.org.

Updated NJ COVID-19 Travel Guidelines

Stay safe during Spring Break! The NJDOH has updated <u>Travel</u> <u>Guidelines</u> and <u>Restrictions</u> for residents. Here is a summary:

All Travelers:

- International travel: negative test result or documentation of recovery required by the CDC to enter United States following air travel.
- Self-monitor for symptoms during and after travel and selfisolate if symptoms develop.
- Wear a mask over your nose and mouth when in public.
- Avoid crowds and stay at least six feet from others.
- Wash hands often or use hand sanitizer.

Fully Vaccinated Travelers:

 Get tested three to five days after returning to the United States from international travel but no quarantine following travel or test before travel



(unless required by the destination) needed.

 For domestic travel, no quarantine or test before or after travel needed.

Travelers who Clinically Recovered from COVID-19 in past three months:

• No quarantine or pre- or post-travel test needed.

Unvaccinated Travelers:

- Defer travel until fully vaccinated.
- Before travel, get tested for COVID-19 with a viral test one to three days before the trip.
- Get tested three to five days after travel.
- Stay home and self-quarantine for a full seven days after travel, even if the post-travel test is negative. If not tested after travel, stay home and self-quarantine for 10 days after travel.

DC Travel Recommendations:

- CDC Domestic Travel during COVID-19.
- International Travel during COVID-19.



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2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019) Resources and Links

<u>COVID-19 Case Graphs per Municipality</u> – 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

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 April 3rd.
- Click <u>here</u> to view past week's reports.

Morris County

- Chester Borough
- Long Hill Township
- Mendham Borough

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 here. Includes vaccination overview, hospital census, case and mortality summaries, school data, contact tracing data, long-term care information, veteran's memorial homes, state psychiatric hospitals and *NEW* Cases by Municipality Data (Municipalities with populations over 20K)
- 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 Schedule a vaccine appt. 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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