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## **2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-2019)** **Update #101 - March 10, 2022**

### **Bernards Township COVID-19 Testing Clinics:**

Upcoming COVID-19 testing clinics:

**Thursdays 3/17, 3/24, 3/31**

*Bernards Township Community Center  
289 South Maple Ave, Basking Ridge, NJ*



[Register for 3/17](#)

[English flyer](#) - [Spanish flyer](#)

- If you cannot attend your scheduled appointment, you do **not** need to cancel.
- **Walk-in appointment welcomed.**
- If you need testing sooner, [check out other testing sites here.](#)

### **Accessing Test Results**

- Test results will be delivered via phone, text or email. Check your spam folder and missed calls.
- Please allow 48-72 hours to process test results.
- If you do not hear back after 72 hours, please email WellCare at [wellcarecovidtesting@gmail.com](mailto:wellcarecovidtesting@gmail.com)

### **Upcoming BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics**

See below for our upcoming vaccine clinics. All vaccine clinics will be from 3-5 pm at Saint James Church, 184 S. Finley Ave, Basking Ridge, NJ:

**Pediatric Pfizer (5-11) - Mon, Mar 21**

*1st and 2nd doses available*

**Pfizer (12+), Moderna and J&J - Tue, Mar 15, 22, 29**

*Primary series for Pfizer12+ (1st and 2nd doses) and boosters for 12+, Moderna primary series o boosters and J&J primary dose or boosters for 18+*

Visit [www.bernardshealth.org](http://www.bernardshealth.org) to access registration.



### **Public Health Emergency Lifted**

At his final COVID-19 press briefing, Governor Murphy announced the signing of [Executive Order #292](#) which lifted the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency on Monday, March 7th. However, the State of Emergency declared in [EO 103](#) remains in place to ensure that NJ continues to have necessary resources as COVID-19 is managed on an endemic level. To read more and see the EOs [click here.](#)

### **Children, Teens and the COVID-19 Vaccine**

Currently, the CDC recommends everyone ages 5 years and older to get the COVID-19 vaccine to help protect against COVID-19. There are approximately 28 million children between the ages of 5 and 11 years old in the United States and there have been nearly 2 million cases of COVID-19 within this age group during the pandemic. COVID-19 can make children very sick and could lead to hospitalization. In some situations, complications from infection can lead to death.

Children are as likely to be infected with COVID-19 and can get very sick from COVID-19, have both short and long term complications from COVID-19 and spread COVID-19 to others including at home and school.

Getting a COVID-19 vaccine can not only help protect children age 5-11 from getting COVID-19, but can help protect family members including siblings not eligible for vaccination and family members who may be increased risk of getting very sick from COVID-19. Vaccination can help keep children in school and help them safely participate in sports, playdates and other group activities. [Learn more.](#)

EmPOWER Somerset Presents  
**COVID-19 Vaccine for Teens:  
Questions Asked and Answered**

Although COVID-19 in children and teens is sometimes milder than in adults, some youth infected with the coronavirus can become very sick, experience long lasting symptoms, and require hospitalization.

Join us for a virtual town hall on the importance of the COVID-19 vaccine for youth hosted by EmPOWER Somerset and the EmPOWER Youth Advisory Board featuring Dr. Shereef Elnahal, CEO of University Hospital.

**Tuesday, March 15, 2022  
6:00-7:15 PM**

[Click Here to Register](#)  
(YOU WILL RECEIVE A ZOOM LINK VIA EMAIL)

\*This event is open to middle and high school students and their parents/caregivers. Youth must be accompanied by an adult.

DOOR PRIZES AND GIVEAWAYS!

EmPOWER SOMERSET  
YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD  
UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL  
Somerset, NJ

Join EmPOWER Somerset for a vaccine awareness event for middle and high school students. [Register here.](#)

### **More Free COVID-19 Tests**

In January, every residence was allowed to order 4 free at home COVID-19 test kits. The White House announced that the website to order another 4 free kits is now live. To request a second batch of tests, go to [COVIDtests.gov](https://www.covidtests.gov) and click "Order Free At-Home Tests." From there, you enter your name and residential address. If you're having trouble getting the website to recognize your address, check [here](#) for common issues.)

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### 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 State 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: **MODERATE**

Central West (Somerset): **MODERATE**

Northwest (Morris): **MODERATE**

Click [here](#) to view this week's report ending

[NJ COVID-19 Variant Surveillance Report Week 7](#)

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Resources**

- <https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/>
- <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>
- [CDC COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ](#)
- [Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System](#)
- [Docket App](#)
- [V-Safe After Vaccine Health Checker](#)

#### **COVID-19 Variant Information**

- [CDC Variant Classifications & Definitions](#)
- [World Health Organization VOI/VOC Monitoring](#)
- [NJDOH COVID-19 Variant FAQs](#)

#### **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 Cases by Municipality Data (Municipalities with populations over 20K)
- Somerset County NJ COVID-19 Status Dashboard available [here](#). [More information here.](#)
- Morris County NJ COVID-19 Status Dashboard available [here](#).
- Phone/Text Lines:
  - For COVID-19 Vaccination & Testing - 1-855-568-0545 (8am-8pm)
  - For Medical COVID-19 Questions - 1-800-962-1253
  - Text NJCOVID to 898-211 to receive alerts.
  - Download COVID Alert NJ app [here](#).
- **Mental Health Resources**
  - NJ Hopeline - [24/7 Suicide Prevention Hotline](#) 1-855-654-6735
  - NJ Mental Health Cares Hotline - Support from stress and anxiety dealing with COVID-19 [866-202-HELP\(4357\)](#)
- **NJ COVID-19 Testing sites** - [click here](#) for the most up to date information.
  - **Morris County** – [Click here for Morris County Testing Locations.](#)
  - **Somerset County** – [Click here for Somerset County Testing Locations.](#)
  - [Order free PCR test kits in NJ](#)
  - [Order 4 free Rapid Antigen test kits from the US Government](#)

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