



ALLEGANY COUNTY, MARYLAND CORONAVIRUS JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

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PFIZER COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC FEBRUARY 16 FOR YOUTH AGES 5-11

CUMBERLAND, MD – The Allegany County Health Department has announced that the next youth COVID-19 vaccination clinic (ages 5 – 11) is slated for Wednesday, February 16 from 3 to 5 p.m. on the ground floor of the Willowbrook Office Complex, 12501 Willowbrook Road, Cumberland, MD. That clinic is by appointment only. Appointments can be scheduled through the following link: <https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/3117296018>.

For individuals ages 12 and older, free COVID-19 vaccinations are available on Wednesdays at the Allegany County Fairgrounds from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. No appointment is needed for first and second doses of Moderna vaccine (age 18+) and first, second, and booster doses of Pfizer vaccine (age 12+). Appointments are still required for the Moderna booster vaccine and can be scheduled using the links below:

- February 16: <https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/6969120821>
- February 23: <https://www.marylandvax.org/appointment/en/reg/6969150521>

For assistance registering for an appointment, county residents can call the COVID-19 call center at 240-650-3999. COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are also widely available at local pharmacies, urgent care clinics, and some primary care providers.

The health department continues to offer free drive-thru COVID-19 testing at the Allegany County Fairgrounds (11400 Moss Ave., Cumberland) on Mondays from 2 to 7 p.m. and on Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Members of the public can also obtain a limited supply of free KN95 masks by stopping by the Willowbrook Office Complex (12501 Willowbrook Road, Cumberland, MD) or any branch of the Allegany County Library System during regular business hours. Studies have shown that consistently wearing a face mask in indoor public settings is associated with lower risk of COVID-19. N95 masks and KN95 masks provided the most protection, reducing the change of infection by 83% as compared to 56% for cloth masks and 66% for surgical masks.

The COVID-19 case rate in Allegany County continues to gradually drop. However, health officials noted that Allegany still has the highest case rate of any Maryland jurisdiction. Members of the public are urged to continue to safeguard their health by masking in indoor public spaces, maintaining social distancing, avoiding large gatherings, practicing frequent handwashing, and getting vaccinated and boosted against COVID-19.

ALLEGANY COUNTY COVID-19 DATA AS OF FEBRUARY 10:

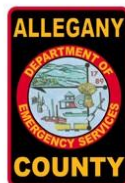
- New COVID Cases: 49 (cumulative total 16,054)
- Additional Deaths: 3 (cumulative total 339)
- Cases Per 100,000 People: 44.63 (Maryland: 16.17)
- Positivity Rate: 13. % (Maryland: 4.88%)
- Percentage of Population Fully Vaccinated: 50.2% (Maryland: 73.3%)

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