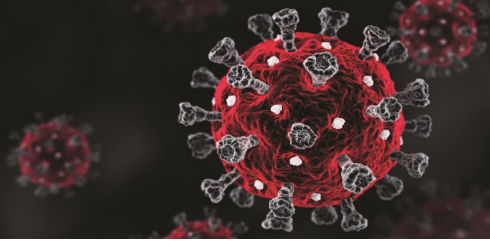


# Vax Matters



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## News

### GRATEFUL FOR THE SHOT

#### Grateful for the Shot Vaccination Events in Four Counties

Several more Grateful for the Shot vaccination events are taking place this weekend in New Brunswick, Trenton, Lakewood and Keansburg.

The events are a partnership with faith leaders, the Governor's Office, the First Lady's Office, NJDOH and the New Jersey Pandemic Relief Fund to bring vaccinations to congregations in underserved communities.

Free events this weekend include:

- **New Brunswick:** Saturday, July 17, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., Christ Church, 5 Paterson St.
- **Keansburg:** Saturday, July 17, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., St. Mark's Church, 247 Carr Ave.
- **Lakewood:** Saturday, July 17, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., in partnership with All Saints Episcopal, at Ocean Health Initiatives, 101 2nd St.
- **Trenton:** Sunday, July 18, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Parish of Our Lady of the Angels, 540 Chestnut Ave.

Walk-ins are welcome. ID documentation and health insurance are not required. There is no impact on immigration status.

NJDOH also continues to reinforce the need for individuals to get their second shots of Pfizer and Moderna to obtain the strongest protection against COVID-19 and its variants.

#### App Provides Consumers Access to Their COVID-19 Vaccination Record

In an effort to expand consumer access to immunization records, a new app from the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) makes it easier for individuals and families vaccinated in the state to access their COVID-19 vaccination record.

The free consumer access Docket app is now available in the [App store](#) or on [Google Play](#). The app allows people vaccinated in New Jersey to easily access their COVID-19 record digitally.

"The app will be helpful to those who perhaps have lost their vaccination card or it got damaged or want quick access to their record," said Commissioner Persichilli. "Docket will improve the ease and turnaround time for those who want a copy of their COVID-19 immunization history."

The system is designed to allow individuals with an email or phone number on file with the New Jersey Immunization Information System (NJIS) to access their COVID-19 vaccination record using the app. The app also can provide access to family members' COVID-19 records through a shared account.

Docket, a CDC-approved application, connects people directly with the NJIS to deliver COVID-19 immunization records for individuals and their families vaccinated in New Jersey. The app currently only displays COVID-19 vaccination details, however, future plans include expanded access for other full immunization histories.

If a resident received their COVID-19 vaccine out-of-state, their records may not be available in NJIS. NJDOH has worked with New York State and New York City to obtain records of New Jersey residents vaccinated there and is working on obtaining records for New Jersey residents vaccinated in other states and jurisdictions.

The app adheres to federal and state standards for data security and privacy. NJIS captures an individual's name, phone number and demographic details which were shared at the time of vaccination. This data is used to show a person's COVID-19 immunization record through Docket.

For more information, visit the [Docket app FAQ](#).



#### Vaccination Progress

- ◆ 10.2M+ vaccine doses administered in N.J.
- ◆ 5.1M+ fully vaccinated people



**Find the latest pop-up and mobile vaccination events at [covid19.nj.gov/communitycalendar](https://covid19.nj.gov/communitycalendar).**

## NJDOH Partners with Festival for Vaccination

The Health Department is partnering with the New Jersey Festival of Ballooning later this month to provide onsite vaccination as well as incentives for attendees who get vaccinated.

The annual balloon festival, to be held July 23-25 at the Solberg Airport in Readington, features music, food, vendors and twice-daily mass hot air balloon ascensions.

NJDOH is partnering with Wegman's Pharmacy and Hunterdon Healthcare to offer the Pfizer (ages 12+) and Johnson and Johnson (ages 18+) vaccines.

Walk-up attendees will receive discounted tickets with proof of vaccination.

If those getting vaccinated have already purchased tickets, they will receive the option to use these discounts for next year's festival.

Attendees who get vaccinated on-site will be entered into a sweepstakes to win a balloon ride for two; VIP tickets to that night's concert; meet and greets with the artists/bands



(Courtesy of the New Jersey Festival of Ballooning)

that will be performing; and an upgrade to the VIP Blue Sky Lounge.

For more information on the festival, visit [www.balloonfestival.com/](http://www.balloonfestival.com/).

## Lacey Mayor Urges Residents to Get the Shot

In a [new social media video](#), Lacey Township Mayor Peter Curatolo thanks residents for their efforts in helping the fight against COVID-19 and shared a message about vaccination.

"Lacey, we are getting back to normal but we have one more thing to do," Mayor Curatolo says in the video. "Our work is not yet complete. We want everyone to get vaccinated."

In the video, the Mayor showcased a vaccination clinic at the Lacey Township Branch of the Ocean County Public Library and highlighted two upcoming vaccination events:

- July 21, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Mill Pond Elementary School on Western Boulevard.
- September 25, noon to 3 p.m., Lacey Day at Gille Park.



For a list of Ocean County Health Department vaccination sites, visit [ocho.org](http://ocho.org). For other community vaccination sites, visit [covid19.nj.gov/finder](http://covid19.nj.gov/finder) or [covid19.nj.gov/communitycalendar](http://covid19.nj.gov/communitycalendar) for pop-up clinics.

## Outreach Encourages N.J. Employer-Based Pop-Up Vaccination Clinics

NJDOH is pairing vaccine providers with employers to create free, on-site vaccination pop-up clinics to help vaccinate employees and their families.

Interested employers are asked to fill out the [Employer Vaccine Pop-up Interest Survey](#). Completing this survey is the first step to notify NJDOH and its partners of the employer's interest, and the department will follow up.

In hosting a clinic, employers will be asked to offer a space where the vaccines can be administered and space for waiting and rest areas. The clinic staff and vaccine doses will be provided by an identified vaccine provider partner.

As an additional resource, the [New Jersey Employer COVID-19 Vaccine Promotion Toolkit](#) highlights key actions that employers can take to help increase vaccine uptake.

The toolkit includes information on how employers can host pop-up clinics, how to promote the COVID-19 vaccine with their employees, details on the [NJ Earned Sick Leave law](#), and more.

Over 600 total doses have been administered to date across eight employer pop-up sites. Outreach continues with employers across the state.

### Resources

- ◆ NJ Vaccine Call Center: 855-568-0545
- ◆ COVID-19 Vaccine Finder
- ◆ [NJ Transit VAXRIDE](#)
- ◆ COVID-19 Vaccines: Addressing Your Top Concerns [[English](#)][[Spanish](#)]
- ◆ [COVID-19 Awareness Campaign - Digital Resource Toolkit](#)

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