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# NJDOH COVID-19 Vaccine Presentation to 1199SEIU Nursing Home Staff

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**Who** can get vaccinated **when** (estimated) in NJ?

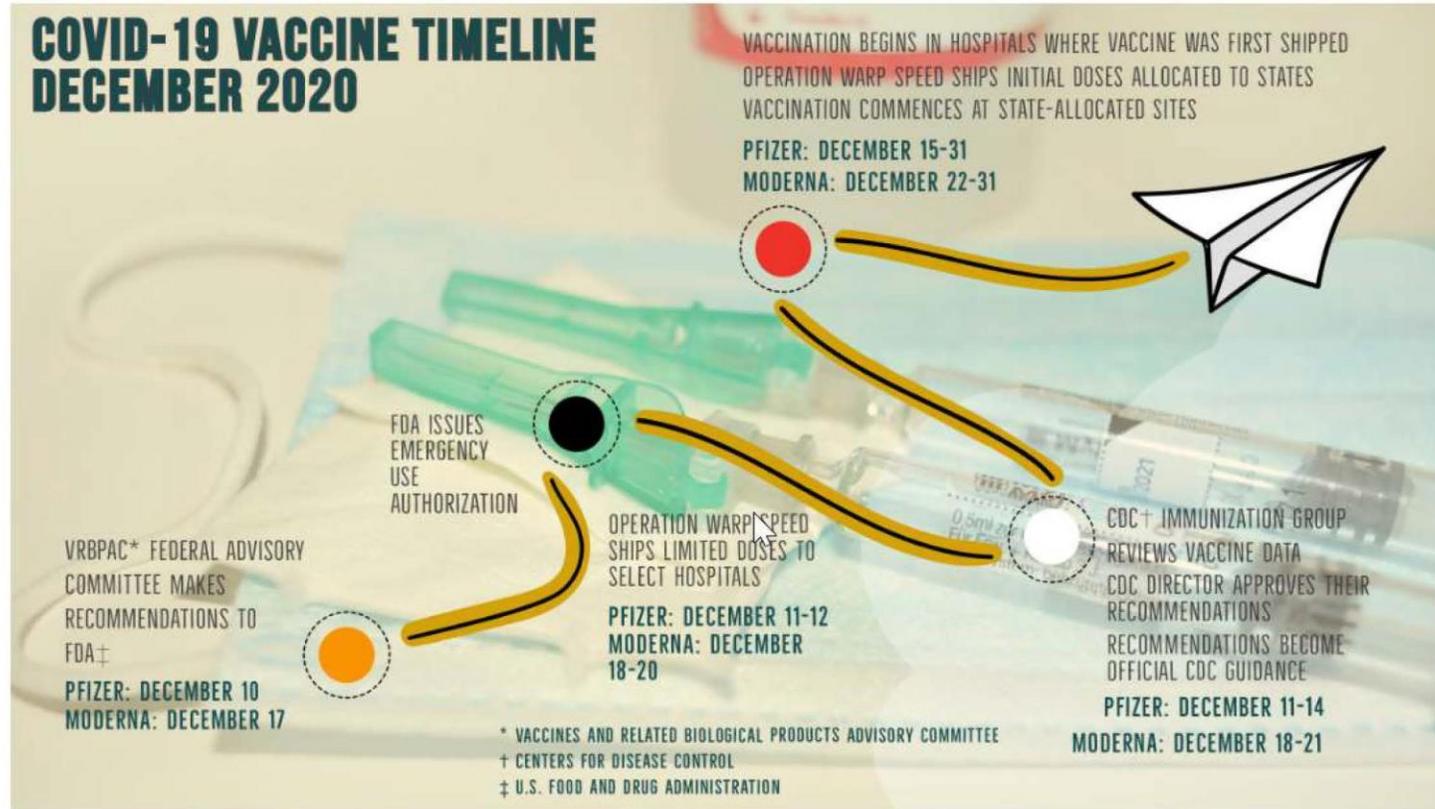


**Where** can you get vaccinated in NJ?



**How** can you get vaccinated?

# Sequence and estimated timeline for the Pfizer vaccine and Moderna vaccine



SOURCE: Operation Warp Speed

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Strategic aims of New Jersey's COVID-19 vaccination program  
(from *New Jersey's vaccination plan Executive Summary*)



Provide equitable access to all who live, work, and/or are educated in New Jersey



Achieve community protection, assuming vaccine effectiveness, availability, and uptake



Build sustainable trust in COVID-19 and other vaccines

### Pfizer-BioNTech

EUA granted December 11 for use in ages 16+

- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine EUA Letter of Authorization](#)
- [EUA Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers](#)
- [EUA Fact Sheet for Patients](#)

ACIP recommendations published in MMWR December 13:

- [The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' Interim Recommendation for Use of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine — United States, December 2020](#)

### Moderna

EUA granted December 18 for use in ages 18+

- [Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine EUA Letter of Authorization](#)
- [EUA Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers](#)
- [EUA Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers](#)

ACIP recommendations published in MMWR December 20:

- [The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' Interim Recommendation for Use of Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine — United States, December 2020](#)

# Who can get a vaccine in New Jersey and when?



## Who is considered a healthcare worker?

NOT EXHAUSTIVE



**Any paid or unpaid person working or volunteering in a healthcare setting who may have direct or indirect contact with infectious persons or materials. For example:**

Doctors, nurses, pharmacists, dentists and any other licensed or registered health professionals

Staff in areas like Facilities management, Security, Food services, Environmental Services, Administrative services, Human Resources, Reception, Language Services, Information Technology, Laboratory and any other support areas

Community health workers / promotoras, doulas, health educators and public health professionals

Trainees, students, volunteers, essential caregivers, vaccinating site staff, contractors

Other personnel like Emergency Medical Services (EMS), paramedics, funeral staff, mortuary staff and autopsy workers

... and other paid or unpaid persons working in a healthcare setting

## Phase 1A

As recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

As adopted by New Jersey on recommendation of the NJDOH COVID-19 Professional Advisory Committee

### Health Care Personnel

**“Paid and unpaid persons  
serving in a health care setting  
who have the potential for direct or indirect  
exposure to patients or  
infectious materials”**

- High-risk locations for SARS-CoV-2 exposure and transmission
- Early protection of health care personnel is critical to preserve capacity to care for patients with COVID-19 or other illnesses.

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6949e1.htm>

### Long-Term Care Facility Residents

**“Adults who  
reside in facilities that  
provide a range of services, including  
medical and personal care, to  
persons who are unable to live independently.”**

- High-risk locations for SARS-CoV-2 exposure and transmission
- At high risk for infection and severe illness due to age, high rates of underlying medical conditions, and congregate living situation



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# Initial Points of Dispensing sites for COVID-19 vaccination

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-  Mega sites
-  Acute care hospitals
-  University sites
-  CVS / Walgreens / Others for Federally supported long-term care facilities program
-  Chain pharmacies
-  Urgent care centers
-  Federally Qualified Health Centers
-  Local Health Departments



**All PODS will need to be equipped to do the following, among others:**

- **Register**
- **Vaccinate**
- **Bill**
- **Ensure vaccine stewardship and cold chain management**
- **Report**



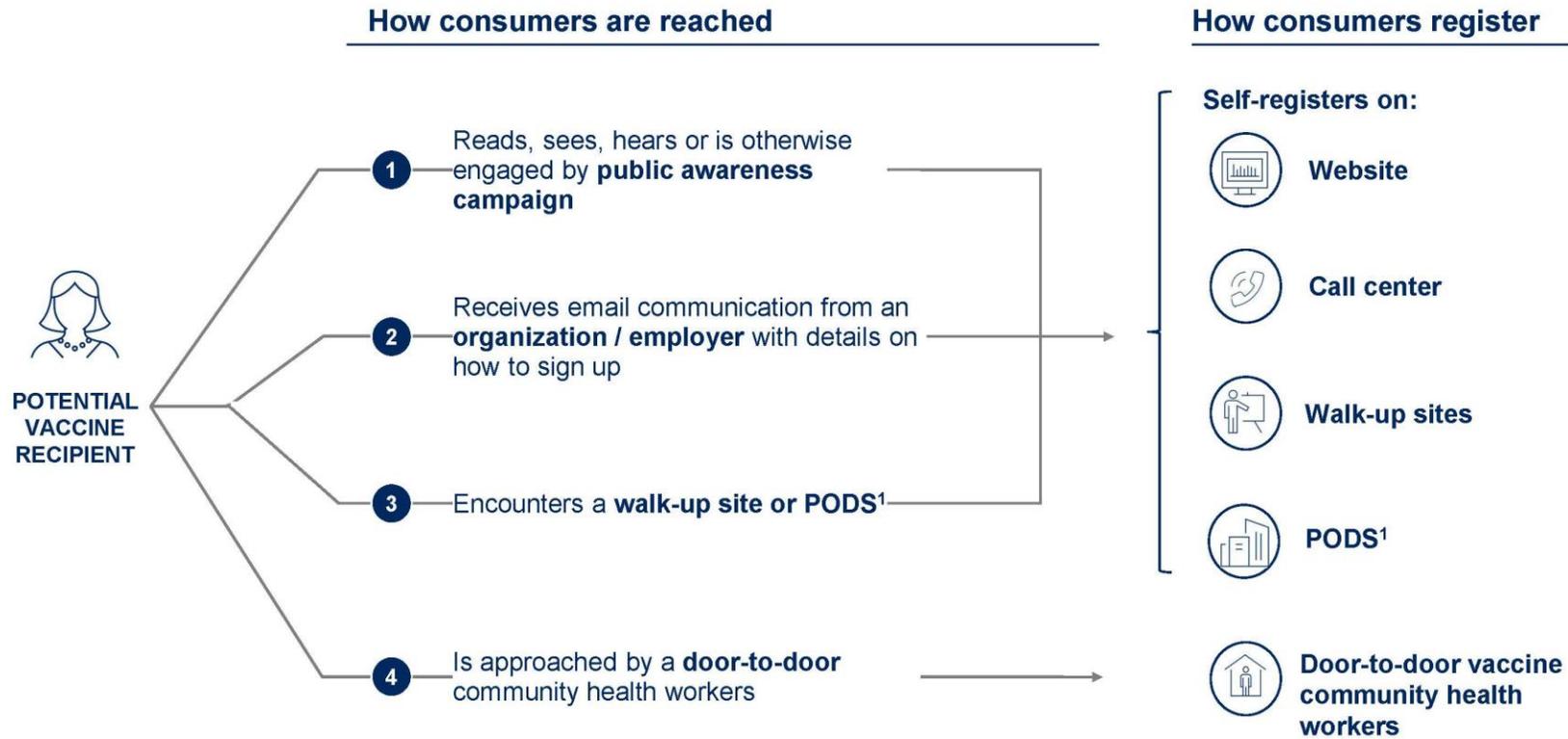
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<sup>1</sup> PODS: Point Of Dispensing Sites

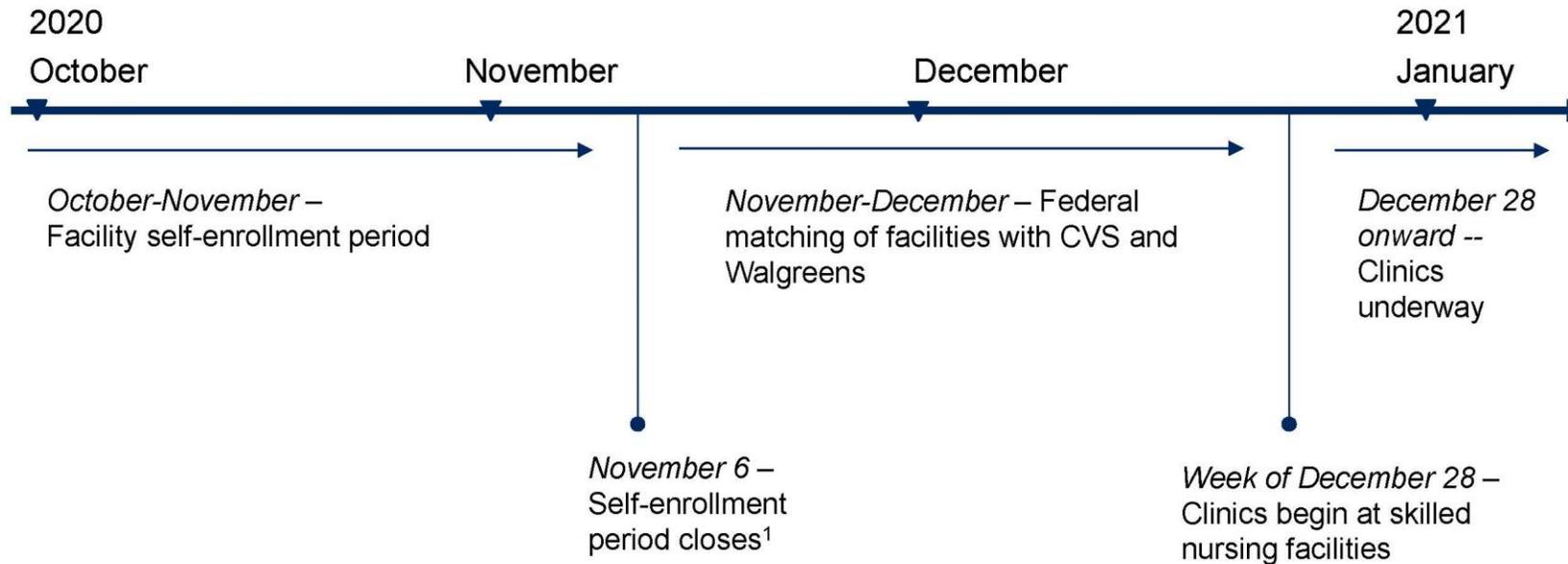
HHS/CDC is partnering with pharmacies (CVS and Walgreens) to offer on-site COVID-19 vaccines for residents and workers of nursing homes and assisted living facilities

- **CVS and Walgreens will be scheduling and coordinating** on-site clinics directly with each LTC facility
- **Both LTC residents and staff<sup>1</sup>** will have opportunity to receive the COVID-19 vaccine through this program
- **First on-site clinics are expected at nursing homes (SNFs) beginning 12/28/20** – other facilities (e.g., assisted living facilities) will take place once SNFs are completed
- **CVS and Walgreens will visit each LTC facility three times**, each spread three weeks apart (for second doses)

1. Staff includes both paid and unpaid workers

SOURCE: CDC, "Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program for COVID-19 Vaccination" 12/1/2020

# LTC program timeline to date



1. [Nov/6 end HCANJ presser](#)

# Vax Matters

December 24, 2020

## News

### Rite Aid Partnership Targets Home Care and Hospice Staff

The New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) announced a partnership with Rite Aid to provide COVID-19 vaccinations to home care and hospice staff.

Rite Aid will provide end-to-end management of the process, including cold chain storage and vaccinations at mobile clinics, to vaccinate these healthcare workers. Information about scheduling appointments is being provided through home health agencies and their industry associations.

The Department thanks the Home Care and Hospice Association of New Jersey, the New Jersey Hospital Association and the Home Health Services Association for their collaboration in this undertaking.

### Pfizer, U.S. Reach Agreement on More Vaccine Doses

The federal government and Pfizer and BioNTech have reached an agreement to provide an additional 100 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine, bringing the total number of U.S. doses to be delivered to 200 million by the end of July.

## Two Vaccines Take On COVID-19 In New Jersey

With the rollout of the Moderna vaccine nearly 36,500 healthcare workers have been vaccinated so far in New Jersey.

This week, the state has received 208,000 total doses of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. 34,000 are headed to long-term care facilities and 175,000 doses are being distributed to hospitals, federally qualified health centers, county and local health agencies, psychiatric hospitals, urgent care clinics and medical practices, and pharmacies.

"With an amazing scientific breakthrough of two vaccines rolled within a year - that is record time and they're safe and they're efficacious - we are one step closer to stopping the spread of COVID-19 in our state and our nation," said Health Commissioner Judith Persichilli during a visit to Ocean Health Initiatives in Toms River which was conducting vaccinations using the Moderna vaccine.



Dr. Sheenah Dasgupta getting her vaccination this week.

Boosting vaccine confidence among healthcare workers is critical as they will play an important role in the public's understanding of why it is important for them to get vaccinated when the vaccine is widely available for the public.

For Dr. Sheenah Dasgupta, part of the dental team at Newark Community Health Centers, getting vaccinated was especially important for her having lost her father, a physician in India, to COVID-19 in October. Both her mother and brother also were affected with the virus but have recovered.

"Definitely take the vaccine at your earliest convenience," urged Dr. Dasgupta, "because this disease is dreadful."

Overall, New Jersey is expected to receive 405,825 Pfizer and Moderna doses for December. On Monday, CVS and Walgreens will begin vaccinations for nursing home residents and staff under a federal pharmacy partnership.

## Resources

[NJDOH COVID-19 Vaccination Page](#)

[New Jersey COVID-19 Vaccination Plan](#)

[Understanding COVID-19 Vaccine: Information for Healthcare Workers](#)

[Sign up for Vax Matters](#)



the person either, to say: it without a test and no symptoms or 7 days with a negative test and no symptoms. The CDC said the recommendations was made on extensive modeling.

Speed to optimize the number of facilities accepted into the program.

For enrolled facilities, the partnership will facilitate safe and effective vaccination for their population as well as for those serving in LTCFs who are eligible in Phase 1A and who have not yet been vaccinated off-site. CVS and Walgreens



[CDC Interim COVID-19 Vaccination Playbook](#)



[CDC Checklist of Best Practices for Vaccination Clinics Held at Satellite, Temporary or Off-Site Locations](#)



[CDC Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit](#)



[CDC Skills Checklist for Vaccine Administration](#)



[CDC Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases](#)



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