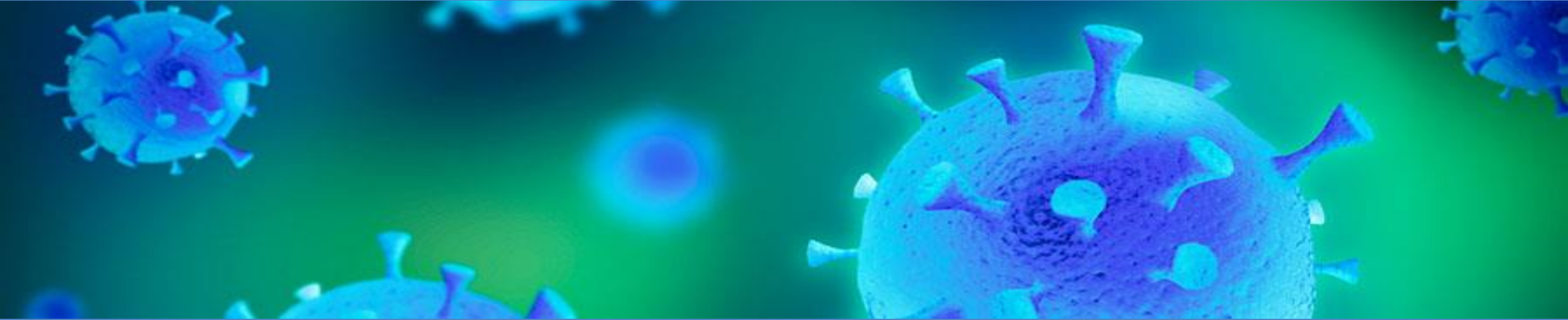


VCHIP / CHAMP / VDH COVID-19 UPDATES



Wendy Davis, MD FAAP - Senior Faculty, Vermont Child Health Improvement Program, UVM
Breena Holmes, MD FAAP – VCHIP Senior Faculty & Physician Advisor, MCH Division, VDH
May 17, 2021



Technology Notes

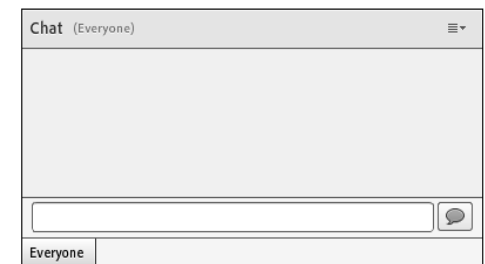
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- 2) If you dialed in or out, **unmute by pressing #6** to ask a question (and press *6 to mute).
If you are having audio difficulties and are using your computer speakers, you may wish to dial in:

Call in number – 1-866-814-9555

Participant Code – 6266787790

Presenters: Please avoid the use of speakerphone and make sure your computer speaker is muted if you dialed in via phone.

- 3) To ask or respond to a question using the **Chat** box, type your question and click the  icon or press Enter to send.



Overview



- May 18: ***HIV Vaccine Awareness Day***
 - Some platforms used to develop COVID-19 vaccine candidates had their origin in HIV vaccinology.
- Reminder – weekly event schedule:
 - **VCHIP/CHAMP/VDH calls: M/W/F**; Gov. Media Briefings Tues/Fri; VMS call with VDH Comm. Levine Thursday
- Situation, VDH, CDC, AAP updates
- Practice Issues: ***Vermont Homebound Vaccination Program for CYSHN*** – *Ilisa Stalberg, VDH MCH Director*
 - Also: *To Mask or Not to Mask?*
- Q & A/Discussion

[Please note: the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve very rapidly – so the information we’re providing today may change quickly]

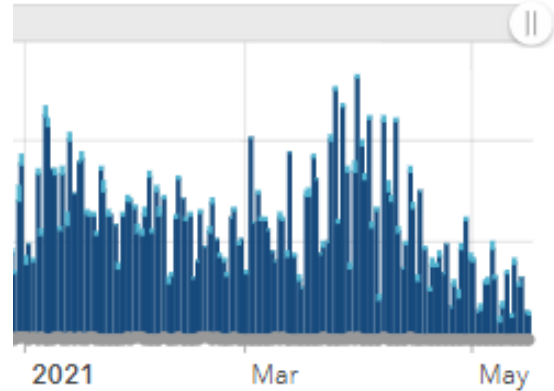
Scheduling Notes

Currently *NOT* planning to hold calls on:

- ❑ Friday, **May 21**, 2021
- ❑ Friday, **May 28**, 2021
- ❑ Monday, **May 31**, 2021 (Memorial Day)
- ❑ Friday, **June 4**, 2021 (Annual Child Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference – please register!)
- ❑ Wednesday, **June 9**, 2021 (Narkewicz Visiting Professor)
- ❑ Considering dropping to 1 – 2 days/week this summer; then continuing with frequency TBD in the fall – perhaps to include new/different topics?
- ❑ Please send us your thoughts/feedback: vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu

Situation update

New Cases	29
23,912 Total	
Currently Hospitalized	11
Hospitalized In ICU	1
Hospitalized Under Investigation	0
Percent Positive 7-day Avg.	1.1%
People Tested	388,848
Total Tests	1,664,599
Recovered	22,142
92.6% of Cases	
Deaths	252
1.1% of Cases	
Last Updated: 5/17/2021, 10:43:55 AM	

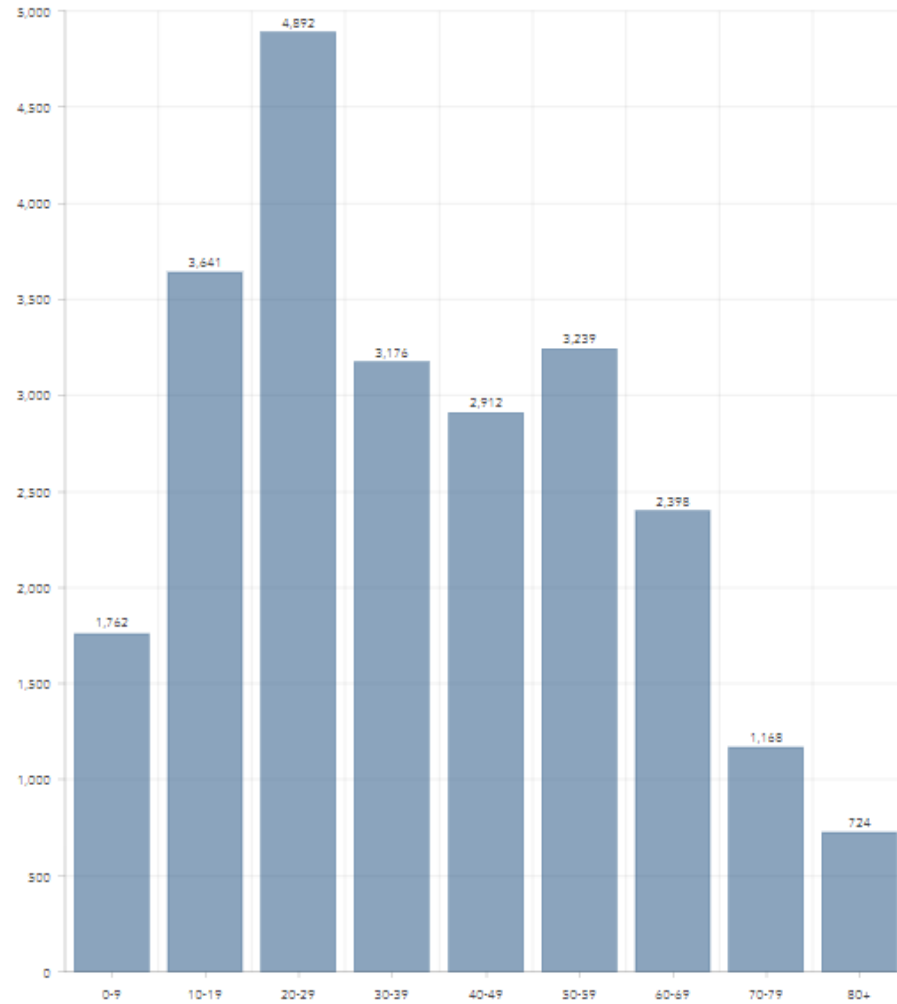


VT New Cases, Probables, Deaths

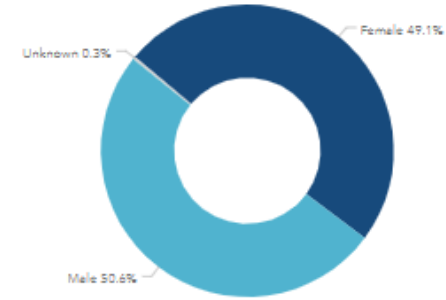
- U.S. **32.8 million+** cases; **583,990 deaths**
 - <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/coronavirus-us-cases.html> (updated 5/17/21)
 - 5/16/21: **16,616 new cases; 291 deaths**
 - Past week: av. 33,041 cases/day (14d. change -33%)
 - **3.3 million+ deaths worldwide; 163 million+ cases** (-7% & -17% 14-day change respectively)
- **VDH Weekly Data Summary(5/14/21)**
 - **No Weekly Spotlight Topic**
 - Find previous summaries at: <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/current-activity/weekly-data-summary>

Situation update

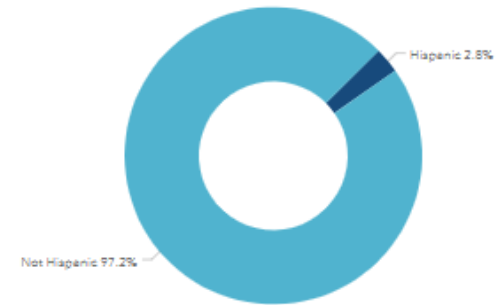
Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Age Group



Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Sex



Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Ethnicity if Known



Vermont COVID-19 Cases by Race if Known



VERMONT FORWARD

ROADMAP TO REOPENING

Note: moving to Step 3 later today as announced at Governor's Media Briefing this morning

Please refer to vermont.gov for complete guidance and additional details. Education and health care retain specialized guidance.



Note: All dates are subject to change.

STEP 1

VACCINATION PROGRESS (FIRST DOSE):
Vulnerable population substantially complete;
35–45% of all Vermonters; 45–55% of Vermonters 16+

Business Operations

4/9

Group A Sectors:
Move to required universal guidance

Cross State Travel

4/9

No quarantine required with negative test within 3 days of arrival in or return to the state

Masks and Physical Distancing



Required when in the presence of those outside your household.

APRIL

STEP 2

VACCINATION PROGRESS (FIRST DOSE):
50–60% of all Vermonters;
60–70% of Vermonters 16+

Business Operations

5/1

Group B Sectors:
Move to required universal guidance

Gatherings and Events

5/1

Indoor: 1 unvaccinated person per 100 sq ft up to 150, plus any number of vaccinated people
Outdoor: 300, plus any number of vaccinated people

Masks and Physical Distancing



Required when in the presence of those outside your household.

MAY

STEP 3

VACCINATION PROGRESS (FIRST DOSE):
60–70% of all Vermonters;
70–85% of Vermonters 16+

Cross State Travel

6/1

No quarantine or testing requirements

Gatherings and Events

6/1

Indoor: 1 unvaccinated person per 50 sq ft up to 300, plus any number of vaccinated people
Outdoor: 900, plus any number of vaccinated people

Masks and Physical Distancing



Required when in the presence of those outside your household.

JUNE

JULY 4

Business Operations

Universal guidance encouraged for all sectors

Gatherings and Events

No capacity restrictions

Masks and Physical Distancing.

Encouraged

JULY

Vermont Forward – Effective 5/14/21

STEP 3

VACCINATION PROGRESS (FIRST DOSE):

60–70% of all Vermonters; 70–85% of Vermonters 16+

CROSS STATE TRAVEL

REVISED: Effective 5/14

6/3 No quarantine or testing requirements

GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

REVISED: Effective 5/14

6/3 Indoor: 1 unvaccinated person per 50 sq ft up to 300, plus any number of vaccinated people

Outdoor: 900, plus any number of vaccinated people

MASKS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING

REVISED Not required if vaccinated. Required if unvaccinated.

JULY 4

BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Universal guidance encouraged for all sectors

GATHERINGS AND EVENTS

No capacity restrictions

MASKS AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING

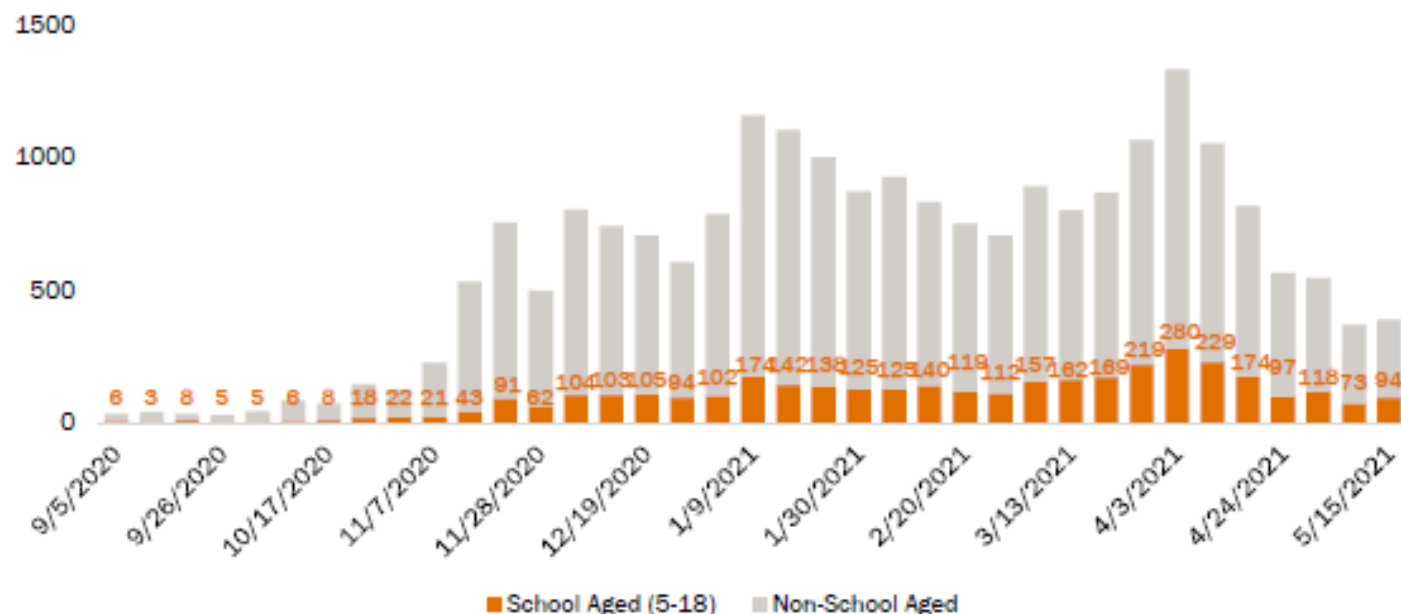
REVISED Encouraged if unvaccinated



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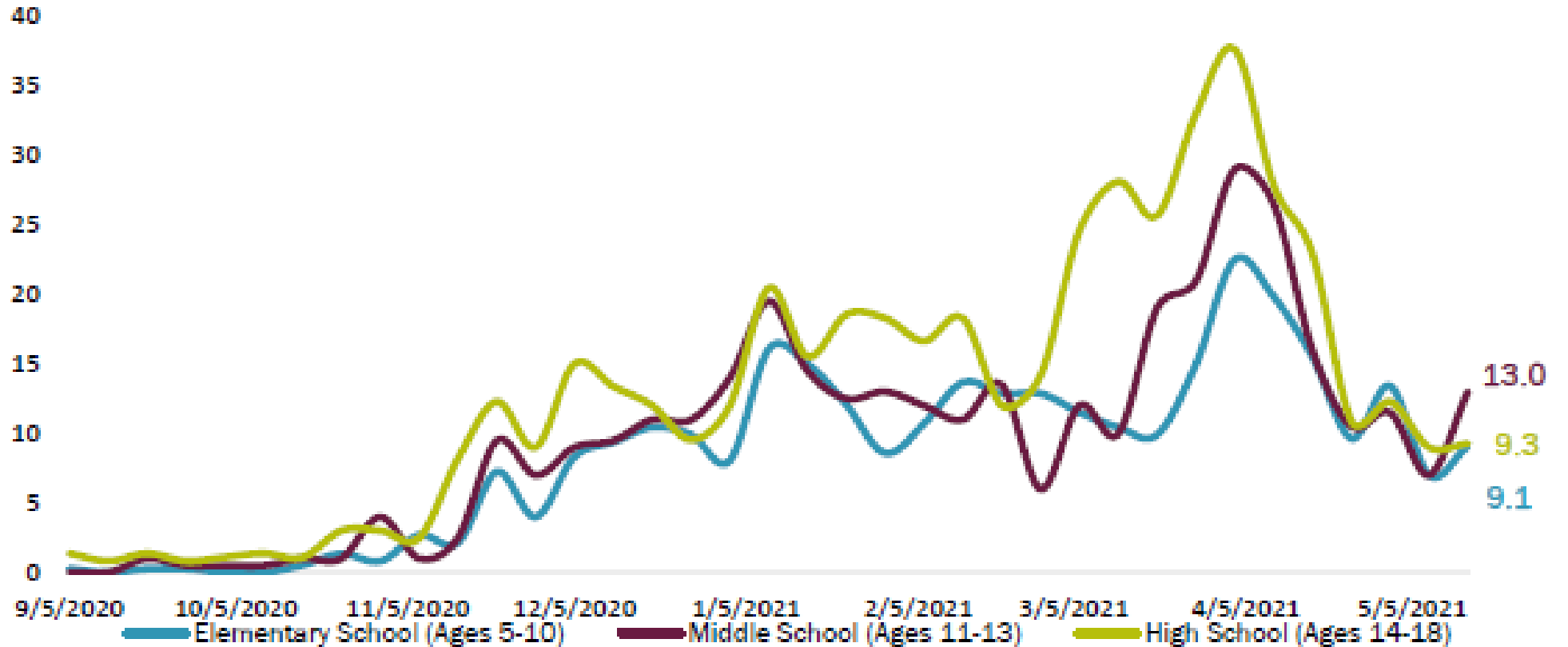
This brief reflects data as of May 15, 2021 at 7 pm (the last complete MMWR week). All rates are calculated per 10,000 people. The 14-18 year old age group does not include college students. Data is preliminary and subject to change.

Number of Cases by Week



COVID-19 Cases Among Vermont's School-Aged Children

Rates by Week by School Category



Note: rate among middle school aged children doubled compared to previous week.

[Compare to data from previous week: rates were 9.0/10K (HS), 7.0 (MS), and 7.2 Elementary School respectively]

COVID-19 Cases in VT K-12 Learning Communities (While Infectious)

COVID-19 Cases in Vermont K-12 Learning Communities While Infectious

- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/COVID19-Transmission-Schools.pdf>
- Table updated **Tuesday & Friday** w/data through previous Sunday & Wednesday.

May 12, 2021

Cases in Vermont K-12 Learning Communities While Infectious

Learning Community	Cases Reported In the Past 7 Days	Total Cases
Schools with less than 25 students are reported in the "Total for all Suppressed Schools" row at the end of the table.		
TOTAL FOR ALL SCHOOLS	45	1346

May 9, 2021

Cases in Vermont K-12 Learning Communities While Infectious

Learning Community	Cases Reported In the Past 7 Days	Total Cases
Schools with less than 25 students are reported in the "Total for all Suppressed Schools" row at the end of the table.		
TOTAL FOR ALL SCHOOLS	30	1323

VT College & University dashboards:

- UVM update** (week of 5/2): 5 new cases off campus; 9 on campus; 0 faculty; 0 staff – **grad 5/20-21**
- Champlain College** (week of 5/4/21): 0 positive tests – **graduation 5/15/21**
- St. Michael's College** (week of 5/10/21): 0 student/employee positives – **graduation 5/13/21**

VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Registration & Sites

<https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/getting-covid-19-vaccine>

ELIGIBILITY

All Vermont residents age 12 and older are eligible to be vaccinated! College students and some residents of another state are now eligible for vaccines.

NEW: Find out about vaccines for people 12-15 years old.

GET YOUR VACCINE WITHOUT AN APPOINTMENT!

> [Find a walk-in clinic here](#)

CELEBRATE EMS WEEK WITH A COVID-19 SHOT

May 21-23, EMS stations across Vermont will open their doors and host appointment free vaccination clinics. Say thank you to your local EMS workers this year by getting vaccinated.

> [EMS Week Vaccination Sites](#)

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

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COVID-19 Vaccination Scheduling at Kinney Drugs in Ver

Currently, the State of Vermont all

- Vermont residents age 65+

VS pharmacy™

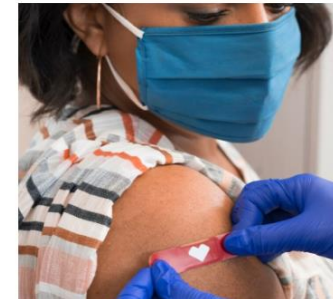
Search

Pharmacy > COVID-19 Vaccine

Now offering the FREE* COVID-19 vaccine in select stores

administering the vaccine by appointment only based on eligibility guidelines.

No cost with insurance or through federal program for the uninsured.



...cines are now available in some states at select stores to individuals 16 years of age and or Pfizer; 18 years of age and older for Moderna) who meet state-specific eligibility

Special Vaccine Clinics

- In partnership with the Vermont Chamber of Commerce and Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing, VDH will host walk-in COVID-19 vaccine clinics for restaurant, hospitality, and tourism workers over the next week.
- Initial wave of clinics at seven locations, with each site offering J & J vaccine for hospitality workers on a walk-in basis. Clinics will be staged at restaurants, lodging properties, ski resorts, and other tourism attractions in an effort to bring the vaccine directly to the workers of this sector.
- The first wave of clinics will be in Waterbury, Middlebury, Woodstock, Waitsfield, Windsor, South Burlington, and Warren. To see all dates, times, and locations for these hospitality worker vaccine clinics, please visit <https://accd.vermont.gov/vaccine>.
- More than a dozen additional clinics, including in Rutland, Killington, Stowe, and Vergennes are being planned now & will be added as details are confirmed.

Pop-Up Vaccination Clinics

Pop-up Vaccination Clinics



Date	Location	Type
May 15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Granville Fire Station• Warren Municipal Building• Green Mountain Alliance Church• Waterbury Ambulance• Stowe High School• North Hyde Park Fire Station• Eden Town Clerk	Appointments and walk-ins
May 17th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Windham Town Office	Appointments and walk-ins
May 18th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Winhall Fire Department and Londonderry Ambulance	Appointments and walk-ins

Pop-Up Vaccination Clinics

Pop-up Vaccination Clinics (Continued)



Date	Location	Type
May 19 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Wilmington– Deerfield Ambulance	Appointments and walk-ins
May 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Searsburg Town Office	Appointments and walk-ins
May 20 th	<ul style="list-style-type: none">North Beach	Walk-ins only
May 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Lancaster, NH Fairgrounds	Appointments and walk-ins
May 21, 22 and 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Emergency Medical Services and Fire Departments –31 Sites throughout Vermont	Walk-ins only

VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard

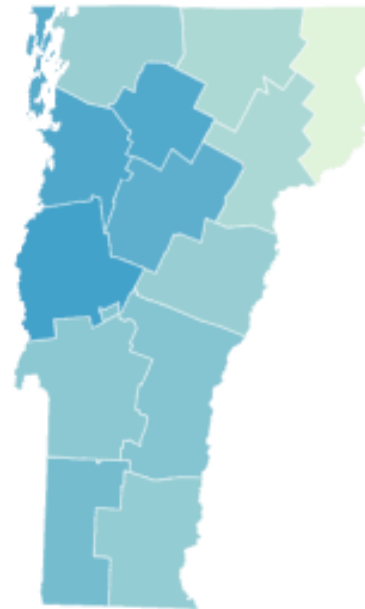
- Daily updates Tuesday thru Saturday
- Data = counts reported by end previous day; subject to change.
- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-dashboard>

Vaccination by County

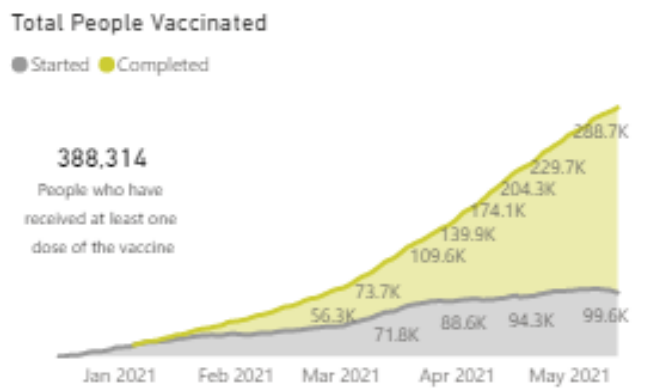
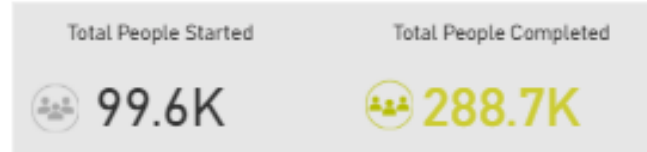
The percent of the county population that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Show Rates By: **Overall** Race/Ethnicity Ethnicity

County	Overall progress
Addison	79.0%
Bennington	70.8%
Caledonia	61.8%
Chittenden	77.0%
Essex	53.1%
Franklin	64.9%
Grand Isle	75.8%
Lamoille	76.7%
Orange	65.0%
Orleans	61.6%
Rutland	66.9%
Washington	74.8%
Windham	65.7%
Windsor	68.1%
Vermont	70.9%



53.1% 79.0%



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VDH COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard

- Daily updates Tuesday thru Saturday
- Data = counts reported by end previous day; subject to change.
- <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-dashboard>
- **NOTE:** Select County to see age-specific rates

Vermont Vaccination Data

Select County

By Age - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population of each age group that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Age	%*
18 - 29	43.8%
30 - 39	65.3%
40 - 49	69.7%
50 - 59	75.2%
60 - 64	82.8%
65 - 69	90.4%
70 - 74	95.0%
75+	91.1%
Vermont	71.5%

By Sex - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population of each sex that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Sex	%*
Female	74.6%
Male	66.9%
Vermont	70.8%

Sex information is missing for 0% of people vaccinated.

By Race - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population of each race that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Race	%*
White	68.4%
Two or more races	52.5%
Pacific Islander	13.2%
Native American, Indigenous, or First Nation	23.9%
Black or African American	52.7%
Asian	63.9%
Vermont	67.7%

Race information is missing for 5% of people vaccinated.

By Race/Ethnicity and Age - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population of each race/ethnicity that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Race*	16 - 64	65+	Total
BIPOC	56.6%	80.0%	59.1%
Non-Hispanic White	57.9%	86.7%	65.0%
Vermont	57.8%	86.5%	64.6%

Race/ethnicity information is missing for 9% of people vaccinated.

BIPOC refers to Black, Indigenous, and people of color.

Summary

By Age, Sex, Race, Ethnicity

By Ethnicity - Statewide

The percent of the statewide population of each ethnicity that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Ethnicity	%*
Hispanic	72.5%
Not Hispanic	65.0%
Vermont	65.1%

Ethnicity information is missing for 13% of people vaccinated.

*Percentages reported as 95% here indicate $\geq 95\%$. Values above 95% are suppressed to protect personal health information.

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Vermont Vaccine Uptake by Age – 16-17 y.o. (5/15/21)

Note: Statewide is “suppressed”

- ❑ Addison = 62.9%
 - ❑ Bennington – unavail.
 - ❑ Caledonia = 31.9%
 - ❑ Chittenden = 72.3%
 - ❑ Essex = 14.3%
 - ❑ Franklin = 45.1%
 - ❑ Grand Isle = 44.4%
 - ❑ Lamoille = 53.4%
 - ❑ Orange = 43.1%
 - ❑ Orleans = 19.0%
 - ❑ Rutland = 41.9%
 - ❑ Washington = 55.3%
 - ❑ Windham = 33.6%
 - ❑ Windsor = 40.5%
- ALL 18-29 y.o. = 43.8%**

By Age - Statewide

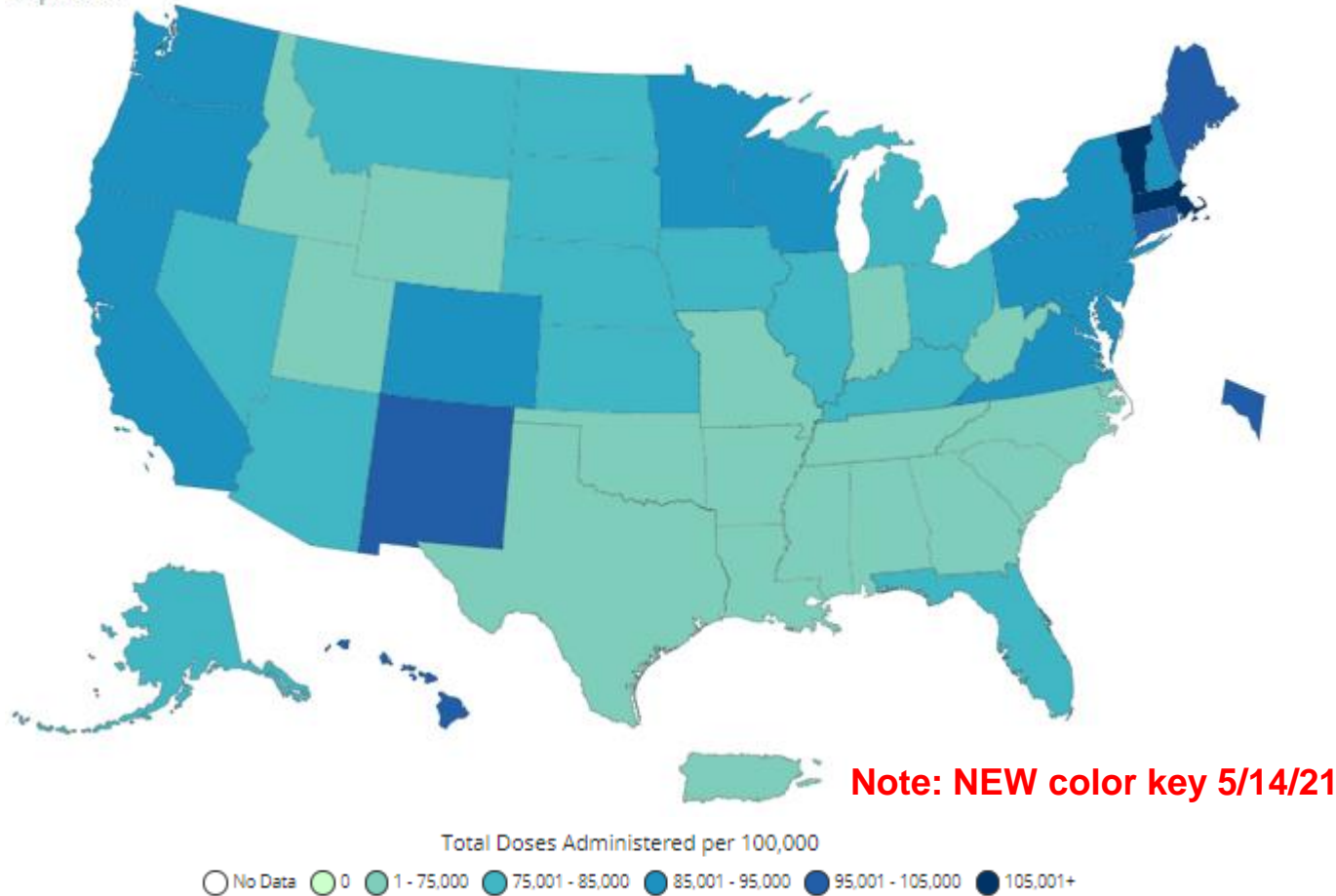
The percent of the statewide population of each age group that has received at least one dose of the vaccine

Age	%*
16 - 17	40.3%
18 - 29	38.3%
30 - 39	58.6%
40 - 49	66.1%
50 - 59	72.8%
60 - 64	81.1%
65 - 69	89.4%
70 - 74	94.7%
75+	90.4%
Vermont	67.3%

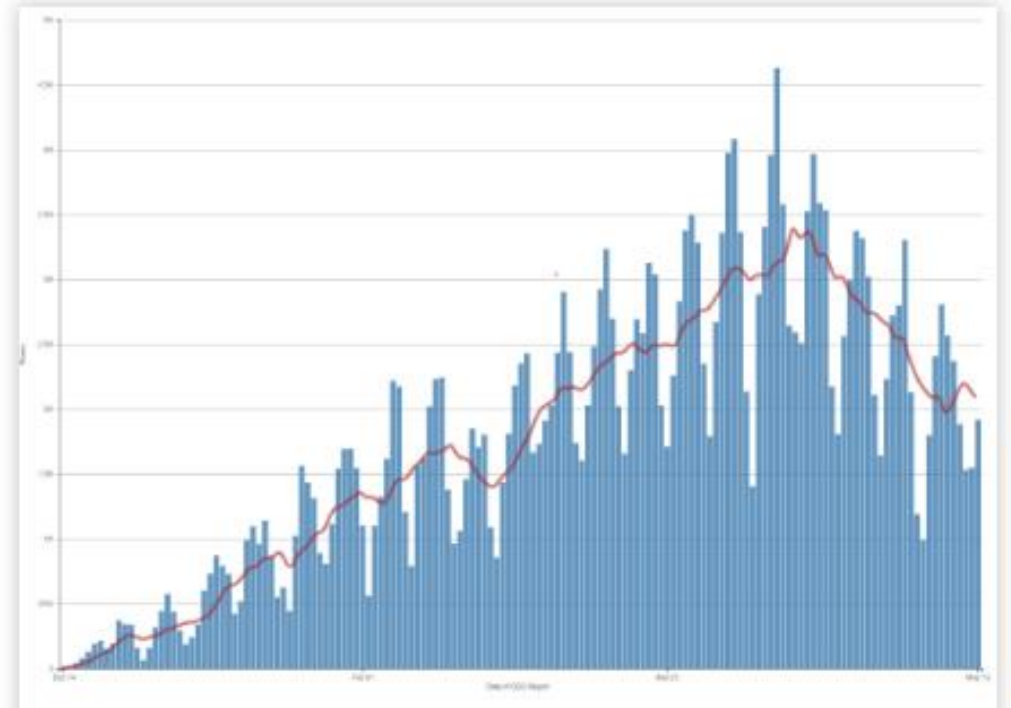
Compare to
Statewide
May 8, 2021

From the CDC Vaccine Tracker

Total Doses Administered Reported to the CDC by State/Territory and for Select Federal Entities per 100,000 of the Total Population



7-Day moving average



<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/covid-data/covidview/index.html>

<https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations>

May 17, 2021

Slay the Virus

On May 10, 2021, the [Food and Drug Administration](#) (FDA) issued an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for the [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine](#) for use in adolescents ages 12-15 years. On May 14, CDC's [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices](#) (ACIP) issued an [interim recommendation](#) in support of the EUA for the prevention of COVID-19 in adolescents ages 12-15 years. Additionally, CDC recently announced that [fully vaccinated](#) people, including adolescents, no longer need to wear masks in most situations. These announcements come as many families are looking forward to summer plans, including [camp](#), [youth sports](#), and [travel](#). Authorization also comes as young people make up a rising proportion of new coronavirus [cases](#) in the United States.

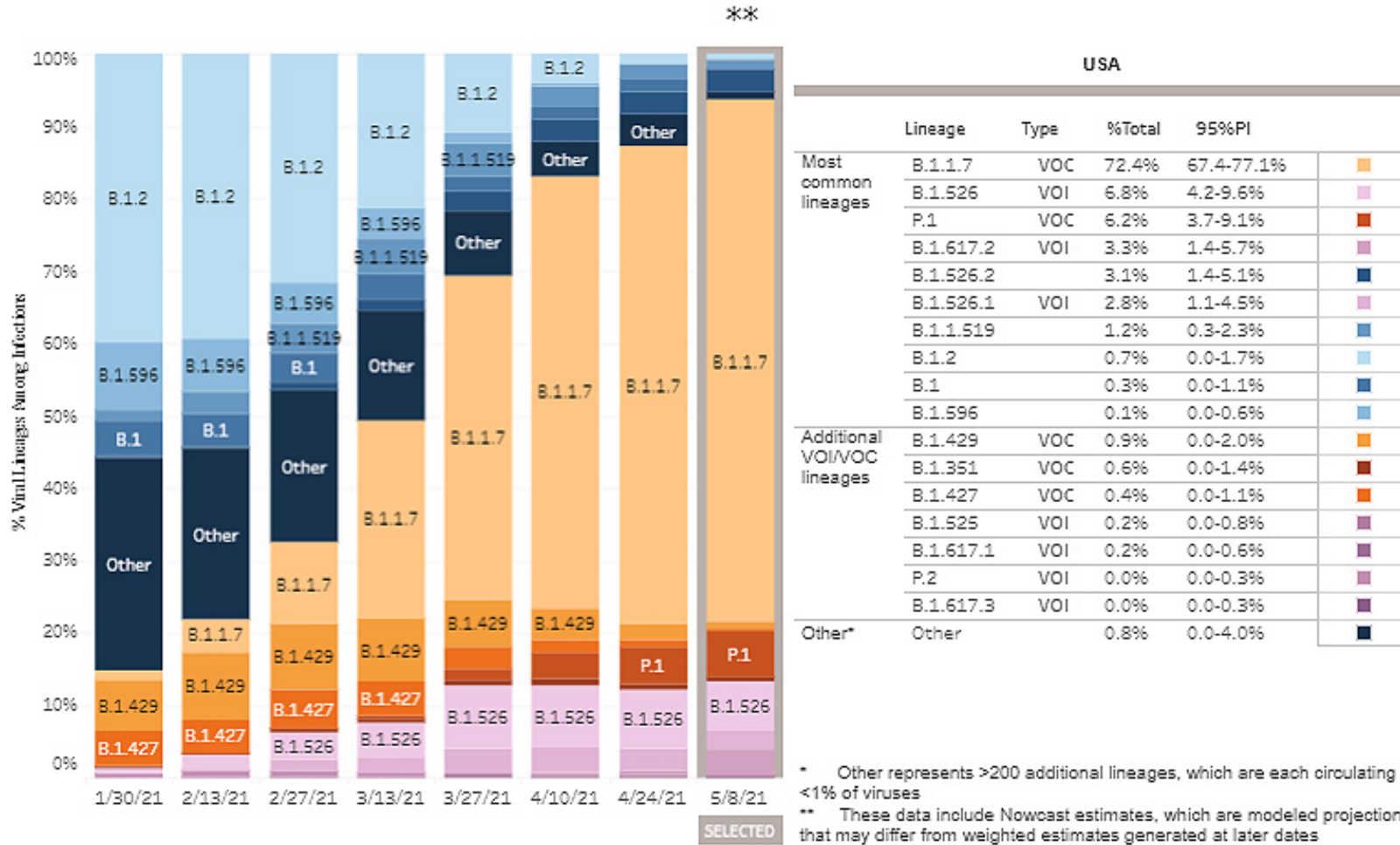
Vaccinating adolescents is an important step toward stopping the spread of COVID-19. Yet, adolescent vaccination has been met with mixed reactions, with some parents eager to vaccinate their children against COVID-19, and others expressing hesitancy. Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine was found to be [safe and effective](#) in adolescents between the ages of 12-15 years in clinical trials. [Side effects](#) were generally [consistent](#) with those experienced by people ages 16-25 years. Side effects are typically normal signs that the body is building protection against the virus that causes COVID-19.



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From the CDC: SARS-CoV-2 Variants in the U.S.

United States: 1/17/2021 – 5/8/2021 United States: 4/25/2021 – 5/8/2021 NOWCAST



COVID-19 Vaccine for Youth

From **Dr. Paul Offit**, Director, Vaccine Education Center & Pediatric ID, Children's Hosp. of Phila.

- **AMA update video:**
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JT suaNfqg8k>
 - ▣ Topics: clinical trials, side effects, adverse impact COVID-19 on pediatric population
- **The Hill** article re: fertility questions
<https://thehill.com/opinion/healthcare/552570-no-covid-19-vaccines-dont-impact-fertility-heres-the-science>.
- **C-SPAN:** <https://www.c-span.org/video/?511578-5/washington-journal-dr-paul-offit-discusses-covid-19-vaccines-children>



Presentations of Interest

APA/PAS (Phase II) session **today**:

- Race in Medicine/Emergency Medicine Combined SIG
 - ▣ Topics: Race/ethnicity based inequities highlighted by COVID-19; Impact of Police Violence of Child and Adolescent Health; Community Violence; Addressing the triple threats of our time through research, advocacy & organized medicine

AAP Upcoming Webinar: **Becoming a COVID-19 Vaccinator**

- Goal: to help pediatricians prepare to participate in the roll-out of COVID-19 vaccines in communities: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_8kYhuqX5Q8mZ5sbuzIR-5w
- What: a practical “how to” presentation/interactive Q&A session
- When: **Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 8 pm Eastern** featuring members who have implemented COVID-19 vaccination in their practice & community.
 - ▣ **Suzanne Berman, MD, FAAP** – Chairperson, AAP Sec. on Admin. & Practice Mgt., Plateau Pediatrics, Crossville, TN; **Sanand Menon, MD, FAAP** – Reading

AAP-VT Parent/Caregiver Vaccine Information Nights

Happening now:

- ❑ AAP-VT “Parent Night” presentations aligned with VDH/AHS **school-located** COVID-19 clinic schedules (clinics also open to community members)
- ❑ Presenters include pediatric health care professionals, VDH (District-based) School Liaisons & school nurses/COVID coordinators
- ❑ Outreach to school nurses in District includes request to use ROBO calls to get the word out to families
- ❑ VDH Communications providing assistance with:
 - ▣ VDH web site & social media posts: District offices, Facebook/Twitter/IG
 - ▣ News outlets: TV, VT Digger, Seven Days
- ❑ PowerPoint continuously updated to remain current; “fireside chat” video by Dr. Becca Bell, AAP-VT Chapter President

AAP-VT Parent Forums

- AAP Vermont Chapter holding Family Forums for conversation on COVID-19 Vaccine for Adolescents
- Find AAP-VT press release, Becca Bell video, & PDF of all dates and links at:
 - <https://www.aapvt.org>
 - <https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19/vaccine/about-covid-19-vaccines-vermont#vaccinesforchildren>
- All events are open to anyone and will be held from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. on Zoom
- Please share w/pts. & on social media!

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Please Join Us

FOR A CONVERSATION ON
COVID-19 VACCINE FOR ADOLESCENTS

All events are open to anyone
All events are from 7-8pm on Zoom

Thursday, May 13th

- Burlington - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTBurlington>
- Middlebury - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTMiddlebury>

Sunday, May 16th

- Brattleboro - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTBrattleboro>
- Central VT - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTCentralVT>

Monday, May 17th

- Newport - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTNewport>
- St. Johnsbury - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTStJ>

Tuesday, May 18th

- Bennington - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTBennington>
- St. Albans - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTStAlbans>

Wednesday, May 19th

- Morrisville - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTLamoille>
- Rutland - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTRutland>

Thursday, May 20th

- Springfield - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTSpringfield>
- Hartford - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTWhiteRiver>

Sunday, May 23rd

- Burlington - <https://tinyurl.com/AAPVTBurlington2>

AAP-VT Info Sessions – In the Bank!

Thank you, logistics team: Stephanie Winters, Becca Bell, Breena Holmes, Ilisa Stalberg – and **thank you**, presenters/chat support:

- ☑ Brattleboro (5/13/21): Drs. Liz Richards, Val Rooney; Kat Goodell, VDH School Liaison
- ☑ Burlington (5/13/21): Drs. Leah Costello, Elizabeth Hunt, Bill Raszka
- ☑ Middlebury (5/13/21): Monica Benjamin, Breena Holmes, Becca Bell
- ☑ Central Vermont (5/16/21): Drs. Anna Hankins, Carolyn Lorenz-Greenberg, Ashley Miller; VDH School Liaison Karen Nelson
- ☑ Brattleboro (5/16/21): Drs. Val Rooney & Kristin Outwater, Kat Goodell

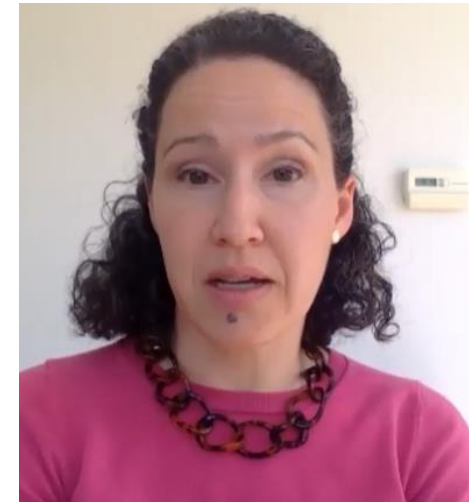
COVID-19 Vaccine Pediatrician & Youth Voices *Hall of Fame!*

□ **Ellie & Colleen**



□ **Denise** (daughter's appointment scheduled)

<https://www.mychamplainvalley.com/video/state-sees-thousands-appointments-made-for-children-eligible-for-pfizer/6625559/>



COVID-19 Vaccine: Pediatrician & Youth Voices Hall of Fame!

- **Joseph & Shannon:** “his why is to have freedom to do things and protect others more vulnerable to COVID. Everyone on his soccer team and his class plans to get the vaccine, as he has been asking them about it.”

- **Fiona & Monica**



- **Dr. Ben Lee**

- **Quote of the Day: Dr. Lori Racha:**
“My 14 yo daughter got hers right after her close friend and they were jumping with joy at Walgreens. **So wonderful that the most common side effect is euphoria for the kids (and the parents).**”



<https://www.wcax.com/2021/05/12/uvm-doctor-encourages-vt-parents-to-get-their-kids-vaccinated-against-covid/>

COVID-19 Vaccine: Pediatrician & Youth Voices Hall of Fame!

VTDigger.org: ***Pediatricians lead campaign to sell wary parents on vaccinating their kids*** – by Seamus McAvoy, May 16, 2021

- ▣ Quotes from: Denise Aronzon, MD, Josh Kantrowitz, MD, Colleen Moran, MD, Joe Nasca, MD
- ▣ *“Series of virtual panels, hosted by pediatricians, to give parents a chance to ask questions about the vaccine and their children.”*
 - ▣ First panel hosted by Leah Costello and Elizabeth Hunt. Panel also included a video message from Rebecca Bell, president of the Vermont chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, who deconstructed the science behind the mRNA technology used in the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines.
- ▣ <https://vtdigger.org/2021/05/16/pediatricians-lead-campaign-to-sell-wary-parents-on-vaccinating-their-kids/>

Power Point template – available for your use:

Protecting Young Vermonters with COVID Vaccines



May, 2021

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Objectives

- Introductions
- Brief overview of COVID in children with Vermont data
- Reminder about mental health concerns in children and adolescents
- Video from AAP-VT Chapter President Rebecca Bell, MD FAAP
- Information on COVID-19 vaccine for children and adolescents
- Questions and Answers

A Message from AAPVT Chapter President Rebecca Bell, M.D.



“We (pediatricians) are so excited that the COVID Vaccine is available for young people....”

“...Pediatricians are so excited that the people we love, our patients, are getting vaccinated, or going to get vaccinated soon”

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Vaccine Posters – Adapted by AAP-VT for Your Use

Now
available in
Spanish!

PARENTS...

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Get vaccinated
and join us!

Want your teenager back in school?
Tired of quarantining after exposures?

**SCHEDULE YOUR TEEN'S
COVID VACCINE!**

5 REASONS TEENS SHOULD GET THE COVID VACCINE

1

No need to quarantine after exposures

Freedom!

2

3

See your friends worry-free

Able to socialize, travel, and play sports

4

5

Life more like normal

Friday Media Briefing (5/14/21)

Pediatrician Love!

- Governor Phil Scott
- AOE Secretary Dan French: *Thank you pediatricians & HCP community, school nurses for leadership.*
- AHS Secretary Mike Smith: **AAP-VT** hosting series of virtual forums to discuss vaccine in adolescence & answer questions; includes VDH School Liaisons
 - Two sessions last night were well-received
 - Find list at VDH web site or **AAPVT.org**
 - *“Pediatricians are thrilled that more patients & families are able to be vaccinated and are ready to help in any way they can!”*



Friday Media Briefing (5/14/21)



Pediatrician Love!

- ❑ **VDH Commissioner Mark Levine: AAP-VT** hosting public forums timed to precede vaccine clinics.
- ❑ *“Listen to those pediatricians w/adolescents in their own households – pediatricians spend much time helping keep kids well w/many tools, include vaccination.”*
- ❑ >4K VT children/adolescents have tested positive since onset pandemic.
- ❑ Urge parents to talk to children re: vaccine ahead of time.
- ❑ ***“Thank you pediatricians, family practitioners, all healthcare colleagues.”***

To Mask or Not to Mask?

- Masks for adults working with children: schools have declared this will continue for all pre-K – grade 12 through end of school year.
- Child Care team still working on any update to guidance – should be issued soon!
- Healthcare settings – Vermont references: *“Following CDC guidance, masking and physical distancing for fully vaccinated Vermonters – except in limited circumstances like in schools, on public transportation, healthcare settings, long term care facilities, prisons etc. – is no longer required. The mandate remains in place for those who are unvaccinated or partially vaccinated, including children who are not yet eligible for a vaccine.”* SEE updated Executive Order.

Masks in Children: from the AAP

- AAP monitoring CDC & Director Walensky's statements: masking guidance has not changed for unvaccinated children.
- AAP experts are looking at AAP interim guidance to see if anything needs updating; otherwise, will affirm current stance.
 - ▣ Anecdote re: parent falsifying the date of birth of an 11-year old to get them vaccinated.

Practice Issues

Vermont Homebound Vaccination Program for CYSHN

Ilisa Stalberg, MSS MLSP – VDH MCH Director



Thanks, also to Monica Ogelby, MSN RN, VDH CSHN Director

ACCESS TO COVID-19 VACCINE FOR CYSHN

- The **Homebound Vaccination Program** partners Home Health Agencies (HHAs) with EMS to offer in-home COVID-19 vaccination patients who are unable to travel to vaccination clinics.
- Now available for eligible CYSHN via 2-tiered approach:
 - **Tier 1:** HCP make a request on behalf of their patients by emailing AHS.VDHHOCCommander@vermont.gov with a request. *This is the preferred and recommended approach.*
✓ *Available now!*
 - **Tier 2:** Caregivers and self advocates can inquire about eligibility via a call center. General screening conducted.
✓ *In progress of staffing call center with CSHN staff.*

Who is eligible for in home vaccine visits?

Reasons for being homebound include:

- A clinical, developmental, or mental health diagnosis that would potentially be exacerbated by leaving the home and/or getting vaccinated at a traditional clinic, or
- The requirement of a significant effort and medical equipment (such as a wheelchair, stretcher, or lift device) to leave the home.

People who regularly leave the home for non-medical or medical appointments are not considered homebound.

CDC Updated Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People (May 13, 2021)

Key Points

- ❑ Recommendations apply to **non-healthcare settings**.
- ❑ Fully vaccinated people can:
 - ▣ Resume activities without wearing masks or physically distancing, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance
 - ▣ Resume domestic travel and refrain from testing before or after travel or self-quarantine after travel
 - ▣ Refrain from testing before leaving the United States for international travel (unless required by the destination) and refrain from self-quarantine after arriving back in the United States
 - ▣ Refrain from testing following a known exposure, if asymptomatic, with some exceptions for specific settings

CDC Updated Interim Public Health Recommendations for Fully Vaccinated People (May 13, 2021)

Key Points (cont'd.)

- ❑ Recommendations apply to **non-healthcare settings**.
- ❑ Fully vaccinated people can:
 - ▣ Refrain from quarantine following a known exposure if asymptomatic
 - ▣ Refrain from routine screening testing if feasible
- ❑ For now, fully vaccinated people should continue to:
 - ▣ Get tested if experiencing COVID-19 symptoms
 - ▣ Follow CDC and health department travel requirements and recommendations
- ❑ Find guidance at: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>

CDC: Choosing Safer Activities

NOW! (5/13/21)

	Unvaccinated People	Examples of Activities	Fully Vaccinated People
		Outdoor	
Safest		Walk, run, wheelchair roll, or bike outdoors with members of your household	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated family and friends	
		Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people	
Less Safe		Dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households	
		Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	
		Indoor	
Less Safe		Visit a barber or hair salon	
		Go to an uncrowded, indoor shopping center or museum	
		Attend a small, indoor gathering of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people from multiple households	
Least Safe		Go to an indoor movie theater	
		Attend a full-capacity worship service	
		Sing in an indoor chorus	
		Eat at an indoor restaurant or bar	
		Participate in an indoor, high intensity exercise class	

Then

	Unvaccinated People	Your Activity	Fully Vaccinated People
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		Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	
		Indoor	
Less Safe		Visit a barber or hair salon	
		Go to an uncrowded, indoor shopping center or museum	
		Ride public transport with limited occupancy	
		Attend a small, indoor gathering of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people from multiple households	
Least Safe		Go to an indoor movie theater	
		Attend a full-capacity worship service	
		Sing in an indoor chorus	
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COVID-19 and Health Equity

[Ensuring Equity in COVID-19
Health and Education Policy](#)

Upcoming Presentation: Tuesday, May 18; 2:30 pm ET:

- Welcoming two special guests for a discussion on COVID-19 and schools.
 - **Dr. Bechara Choucair**, White House Vaccinations Coordinator, will provide an update on the national COVID-19 vaccination effort & the role schools can play in vaccine distribution & surveillance efforts.
 - **Mayra Alvarez**, President, The Children's Partnership Member, Biden-Harris COVID-19 Health Equity Task Force, will discuss health disparities related to COVID-19 & highlight how states improve equity in health & education.
- Register at: <https://healthyschoolscampaign.org/change-for-good-forums/registration/>
- *Thank you, Nate Waite!*



Tuesday, May 18
1:30 pm CDT

CDC COCA Call *(in case you missed it)*



COCA Call



CDC Clinician Outreach
and Communication Activity

Objectives:

- Cite background information
- Describe CDC's role in this topic
- Describe topic's implications for clinicians
- Discuss concerns and/or issues related to preparedness for and/or response to urgent public health threats.
- Promote health improvement, wellness, and disease prevention in cooperation with patients, communities, at-risk populations, and other members of an interprofessional team of healthcare professionals.

What Clinicians Need to Know About Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccination

Friday, May 14, 2021

Time: 2:00 PM-3:00 PM ET

Zoom link

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1613161163?pwd=eHpsTDNXa3A2TXNVcKJTSmRTaWV6QT09>

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Webinar ID: 161 316 1163

Passcode: 810483

- From VDH/MCH: ***Vermont 2-1-1 is ready and willing to help families navigate finding summer program***
- Recorded Summer Ambassador Webinar (from last week) is available for viewing: <https://youtu.be/guhz6pKSXDk>
- Visit the web site: resources for families & highlights of the summer health guidance for programs.

Save the Date: Friday, June 4, 2021



Course Director
David C. Rettew, M.D.

Join us virtually for the 14th Annual Child Psychiatry in Primary Care Conference, featuring faculty from UVM and the community.

Topics this year include:

- Assessing Risks After School Violence Threats
- Mental Health Care Needs in Primary Care
- Child Psychiatry in the Emergency Department
- Integrated Care Forum
- Praising and Overpraising
- Post COVID Mental Health
- Anxiety Disorders
- Motivational Interviewing Techniques
- Social Media Use and Mental Health

Questions/Discussion

- ❑ Q & A Goal: monitor/respond in real time; record/disseminate/revisit later as needed.
- ❑ **For additional questions, please e-mail: vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu**
 - ❑ **What do you need** – how can we be helpful (specific guidance)?
- ❑ **VCHIP CHAMP VDH COVID-19 website:**
https://www.med.uvm.edu/vchip/projects/vchip_champ_vdh_covid-19_updates
- ❑ Next CHAMP call – **Wednesday, May 19, – 12:15 – 12:45 pm**
- ❑ Generally back to **Monday/Wednesday/Friday** schedule
- ❑ Please tune in to VMS call with VDH Commissioner Levine:
Thursday, May 20, 2021 – 12:30-1:00 p.m. – Zoom platform & call information:
- ❑ **Join Zoom Meeting:**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86726253105?pwd=VkVuNTJlZlFQ2R3diSVdqdIJ2ZG4yQT09>
 - ❑ Meeting ID: 867 2625 3105 / Password: 540684
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