



COVID-19 NUMBERS

Daily COVID-19 Update for Friday, September 24, 2021

On September 23, the CDC issued [new recommendations](#) about booster shots for certain individuals who have received the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. (At this time, there are no recommendations from the CDC regarding Moderna or Johnson & Johnson boosters.)

As a result of the CDC recommendations, the Maryland Department of Health has directed vaccine providers in the state to offer a booster shot of the Pfizer vaccine at least 6 months after being fully vaccinated with the Pfizer vaccine to the following groups:

- people 65 years and older
- residents in long-term care settings
- people aged 50–64 years with underlying medical conditions
- people aged 18–49 years with underlying medical conditions based on their individual benefits and risks

Individuals should contact their healthcare provider to discuss their need for a booster now.

Covid-19 Data (as of 9/24/21)			
	Maryland	Prince George's County	Bowie
Cases	525,123 (+1,363)	95,797 (+174)	Cases: 8,312 (+7)
Deaths	10,362 (+14)	1,666 (+0)	20715: 1,838 (+1)
Positivity Rate	4.28%	4.82%	20716: 1,823 (+3)
Case Rate Per 100K	19.7	17.14	20720: 2,091 (+3)
Currently Hospitalized	772 (-2.5%)	NA	20721: 2,560 (+0)
<i>Most figures above in parentheses are daily increases since 9/23/21.</i>			
Vaccine Progress			
	Maryland	Prince George's County	
1st of 2 Dose Received	3,924,568 (64.92% pop.)	509,995 (56.09% pop.)	
2nd of 2 Dose Received	3,566,331 (58.99% pop.)	454,545 (49.99% pop.)	
Single Dose	299,613 (4.96%)	30,290 (3.33% pop.)	
Vaccine totals represent total population, not eligible population. Source: Maryland Department of Health at coronavirus.maryland.gov			

Free Seasonal Flu Shot Clinic – Saturday, 9/25 for Ages 3+

An annual seasonal flu vaccine is the best way to protect against the flu. This year the city is partnering with University of Maryland Capital Region Health to host a FREE flu shot clinic at the **Bowie Senior Center**. Only the regular dose flu vaccine will be available at this drive-thru clinic.

How the drive-thru clinic works:

- Flu shots will be available for adults and children ages 3 and older
- Vaccines will be provided on a first-come first-served basis
- Participants should wear clothing that allows easy access to your upper arm
- Everyone 3 years and older must wear a face mask
- Minors (under 18) will require a parent/guardian signature of consent
- No walk-ups. This is strictly a drive-thru event.
- This clinic is free to all participants.

Each participant must wear a mask over their nose and mouth at all times. Please do not attend if you are feeling sick, even with mild symptoms. Because a flu shot does not protect against COVID-19, and a COVID-19 vaccine does not protect against flu, it is important to get both shots. You can get a flu shot no matter how recently you may have had a COVID-19 shot.

The higher dose version of the flu shot for seniors will not be available at this clinic but will be offered at a high-dose clinic on October 11, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Senior Center. Call the Center at 301-809-2300 to reserve your spot. **Please note:** All persons entering the Senior Center must show proof of COVID-19 vaccination and wear a face mask.

Influenza is a serious illness that affects millions of Americans every year. An annual flu shot can reduce illness and hospitalizations, protect pregnant women and be lifesaving for children. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends an annual flu vaccine for everyone ages 6 months and older.

Visit the [CDC FAQs](#) page for more information about the flu and flu vaccine.