



**Daily COVID-19 Update for Friday, October 22, 2021**

The CDC has endorsed booster doses for Moderna's and Johnson & Johnson's coronavirus vaccines. The agency also endorsed the mix-and-match approach to boosters, saying eligible people could choose whichever vaccine they wished as a booster.

At present, Pfizer and Moderna booster vaccines can be received 6 months or later after receiving the initial series to those:

- Age 65+
- Age 18 - 64 with underlying health conditions
- Age 18+ who live or work in high-risk settings

Johnson & Johnson booster vaccines are recommended for those:

- 18+ who were vaccinated at least two months ago:

Covid-19 Data (as of 10/22/21)			
	Maryland	PG County	Bowie
Cases	554,456 (+863)	99,161 (+84)	<b>Cases: 8,645 (+18)</b>
Deaths	10,785 (+14)	1,713 (+0)	
Positivity Rate	3.21%	2.60%	
Case Rate Per 100K	13.5	9.30	20715: 1,936 (+8)
<b>Maryland Hospitalizations</b>			20716: 1,893 (+3)
Adult	Total: 668 (-2.0%)	ICU: 170 (-6.5%)	20720: 2,169 (+5)
Pediatric	Total: 7 (-30%)	ICU: 3 (-40%)	20721: 2,647 (+2)
<i>Figures above in parentheses are daily increases since 10/21/21</i>			
Vaccine Progress			
Vaccine totals represent total population, not eligible population. Source: Maryland Department of Health at <a href="https://coronavirus.maryland.gov">coronavirus.maryland.gov</a>			

**Recommendations Expected Soon on Vaccines for Children Ages 5 - 11**

The FDA's advisory committee meets on October 26 and the CDC's advisory committee meets on November 2 and 3 to discuss vaccines for children ages 5 to 11. In anticipation of eventual endorsement by these panels and the CDC and FDA, plans are underway for rollout of vaccines to the 28 million children in this age group. Vaccinations will be available at doctors' offices, hospitals, pharmacies, community health centers, and school and community-based sites.

**Prince George's County Vaccination Information**

Visit [mypgc.us/COVIDvaccine](https://mypgc.us/COVIDvaccine) for more information about COVID-19 vaccinations, locations and hours of operation for vaccine clinics operated by the County and other public and private

organizations. Homebound individuals should call County Click 311 for assistance with obtaining shots.

**Reminders:**

***Drug Takeback Day at the Bowie Police Department*** – 10/23, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

***Fire Prevention Day at Station 39 at Free State Shopping Center*** – 10/23, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Free seasonal flu shots will be provided at this event.

***Bowie High School Homecoming Parade*** – 10/23, 10 a.m. Parade starts at Belair Drive/Tulip Grove Drive, proceeds down Belair Drive, and ends at high school. Side streets along the route will be closed at Belair Drive beginning at 9 a.m.

**Metrorail Update**

Metro has announced that its Metrorail service will remain at the current reduced service levels through at least October 31, while it continues its investigation of the recent derailment.

During this time, trains will operate basic service every 15-20 minutes on the Red Line and every 30-40 minutes on all other lines. Silver Line service will continue to operate between Wiehle-Reston East and Federal Center SW only. Customers are encouraged, to use Metrobus service as an alternative, when possible.