

Key Updates week ending Friday, April 16, 2021

Coming Next Week,

Grand Opening of the Franklin County Collaborative's Drive Through Clinic!

Next week we transition the FRCOG's weekly rotating "Spoke" clinics to a single vaccination site at Greenfield Community College. Opening days are planned for Thursday, April 22nd and Friday, April 23rd. As we transition to a single County site, the City of Greenfield continues their clinics at the John Zon Center through May 14th. The Town of Orange will also continue to offer new appointments with their next clinic planned for Saturday, April 24th.

Final Phase of Vaccine Eligibility Begins - on Monday, April 19 all people 16 and over are eligible to receive the vaccine*. We anticipate a high demand for appointments and long wait times on the registration website. Please advise residents and stakeholders to check our [website](#) after noon on Monday, April 19th to see at what time our Collaborative Clinics will open to the public for registration!

*Pfizer is the only vaccine currently approved for people 16 and 17. Our clinics only have access to the Moderna vaccine. Unfortunately, this means our clinics can only accept people who are 18 and older.



Volunteers Laurie Gianturco, Richard Andriole, Cathrine Hilton, and FRCOG Staff Ryan Clary, at a March Clinic at Tree House in Deerfield

Regional Collaborative Clinic Data – Our Collaborative Clinics have now administered over 15,000 doses with 67% of them going into the arms of County residents. A total of 44% of people living in Franklin County have had their first shot and 29% of residents (20,860 people) are fully vaccinated! We are thrilled to see the numbers tick up each week and we are excited to continue putting shots in arms as we enter the last phase of the Commonwealth's vaccination plan. You can see comprehensive data about the County vaccination effort in our April 16th [Vaccination Clinic Data Snapshot](#).

Community Health Center of Franklin County Opens Vaccinations to the Public - CHCFC is now offering vaccine appointments at their Greenfield location to the public, whether they're Health Center clients or not, and they expect their Orange location to begin offering appointments by the end of the month. Appointments are scheduled through their [website](#) and more information is available on their COVID hotline: 413-235-8501.

Upcoming Event! Covid-19 Vaccine Community Conversation for Black, Indigenous, and Persons of Color Communities – View online on April 29, at 5 p.m. Hosted by Communities That Care Racial Justice Working group and the FRCOG. [Find out more and share this with your residents.](#)

FRANKLIN COUNTY VACCINATION PLAN UPDATE:

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<http://www.franklincountymavaccine.org>

Regional collaborative vaccine clinics continue to deliver vaccine. More clinics scheduled!

- ***New*** Regional Collaborative Clinic vaccine appointments become available on Mondays and registration instructions are posted to our website <https://franklincountymavaccine.org/> (vaccine supply permitting new appointments).
 - By state requirement, 75% of our allocated doses must be administered in publicly posted clinics. This means clinics will be available on the state’s vaccine finder website. **People have been waiting up to 45 minutes in the “waiting room” prior to being able to actually register, so please emphasize to residents the need to get in the online queue early before our clinics actually open for online registration.**
 - 25% of our dose allocation is for “private clinics” with blocks of time scheduled at each of our clinics for seniors needing additional support. LifePath and local senior centers near the clinic site will have private links and can assist area residents register.
- *If you are homebound, need help scheduling an appointment, or, need transportation call [LifePath](#) at (413) 829-9285.*
 - *Those able to travel are encouraged to schedule appointments at high volume vaccination sites at [UMass Amherst](#) and [The Commonwealth’s site at the Eastfield Mall in Springfield](#).*
 - *[Preregistration](#) is available for the 7 Commonwealth managed mass vaccinations sites including Springfield.*
 - *Find more vaccination sites at vaxfinder.mass.gov*

Town	Date(s)	Location	Time(s)	1 st or 2 nd dose?	Other/links
Charlemont	Saturday, April 17	Berkshire East	9 a.m – 1 p.m	First dose clinic	Indoor clinic
Greenfield	Wednesday, April 21	Jon Zon Senior Center	TBD	First dose	Indoor clinic
Greenfield	Thursday, April 22	Greenfield Community College	2 p.m – 7 p.m	First dose clinic	Drive through clinic
Greenfield	Thursday, April 22	Jon Zon Senior Center	TBD	First dose clinic	Indoor clinic
Greenfield	Friday, April 23	Greenfield Community College	10 a.m – 3 p.m	First and second dose clinic	Drive through clinic.
Orange	Saturday, April 24	Mahar Regional High School	TBD	First dose clinic	Drive through clinic
Greenfield	Friday, May 7	Greenfield Community College	10 a.m – 2:30 p.m	Second dose clinic for those vaccinated week of 4/5 at Kringle Candle and Franklin Tech.	Drive through clinic
Greenfield	Friday, May 17	Greenfield Community College	10 a.m – 2:30 p.m	Second dose clinic for those vaccinated at Berkshire East 4/17	Drive through clinic



Additional Resources:

[FRCOG Clinics *NEW* Extra Dose Standby List](#)

[Resources for People who are Homebound, Need Help Scheduling Appointments, or Need Transportation Assistance to Clinics](#)

[See Important Vaccine Updates for Hospitals, the Office of Veterans Affairs Clinics, Health Centers, and other Primary Care Providers](#)

[Learn How to Access High-Volume Sites Outside the County and the how Preregister for these Clinics](#)

[See a Comprehensive List of Vaccination Sites in the Commonwealth](#)

[Learn More About the Commonwealth's COVID Response.](#)

FRCOG Vaccine Hotline: 413-774-3167 extension 153

Massachusetts Vaccine Hotline: Call 2-1-1