GENERAL SITUATION

Moderna has filed with the Food and Drug Administration for emergency use authorization for its COVID-19 vaccine for people ages 12 to 17, according to a news release from the company. Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine is currently authorized for people ages 18 and older. Pfizer received authorization for people as young as 12 to use its coronavirus vaccine on May 10. The other COVID-19 vaccine available for use in the United States, made by Johnson & Johnson, is currently authorized for people ages 18 and older.

New York Governor Andrew Cuomo announced that New York state's seven-day average positivity rate has dropped below 0.50% for the first time since the onset of the COVID crisis, to 0.48%, the lowest in the nation per Johns Hopkins University. The state's single-day positivity rate, 0.37%, is also the lowest single-day rate since the onset of the crisis. Governor Cuomo said that "with COVID-19 numbers trending downward for so many consecutive days, we are well on our way to fully reopening to a reimagined New York State".

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that the Macy's 4th of July Fireworks will be back live on the East River on Sunday July 4 with five barges and public viewing set up in Manhattan, Queens and Brooklyn. On Sunday, July 4th at approximately 9:25 p.m., Macy's will commence a jaw-dropping pyrotechnic barrage of color, light, shape and sound. Mayor de Blasio noted that after the Macy's show Coney Island will present its own fireworks show beginning at 10 p.m. Viewing will take place on the boardwalk, as the beach closes at dusk.

New York City: Citi Field is significantly increasing capacity today to nearly 34,000 people. 90% of the available seats are reserved for people who are fully vaccinated. People sitting in the smaller unvaccinated section will have to maintain social distancing and wear a mask. The change comes as drive-thru coronavirus testing sites are being phased out across our area as more people get vaccinated.

New York City: A new vaccination site opens at the Empire State Building Observatory today. The first 100 people who get vaccinated at this site will receive a free ticket to the Observatory.

Washington D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser announced that D.C. nightlife is coming back at full capacity. All capacity limits are lifted at bars, nightclubs and music venues as of today. That includes venues that seat more than 2,500 people, which previously had to apply for waivers, under an order from D.C. Mayor Muriel Bowser.
NEW YORK STATE

The Tribeca Film Festival is set to open June 9th at the Pier 76 Park with a showing of Lin Manuel Miranda's "In The Heights". Closing night will feature a red-carpet performance on June 19th at Radio City Music Hall at full capacity, with a 100% vaccinated, mask-free audience.

How to renew your driver’s license in New York State: Click here.

Virtual Community Calendar - Virtual events, community info and more.

The Mayor of New York has set up the COVID-19 Emergency Relief Fund, with donations going to support healthcare workers and essential staff, local small businesses, displaced hourly workers, families, youth and vulnerable New Yorkers.

For a full list of NYC City Agency service updates see: https://www1.nyc.gov/nyc-resources/city-agency-service-updates.page

HEALTHCARE

How Do I Find a vaccination site in or near my NYC neighbourhood? You can find a COVID-19 vaccine site using the Vaccine Finder tool. The finder is designed to make the process easier for New Yorkers to find provider locations closest to their home and to schedule an appointment.


How to get vaccinated in New York State:
In New York State you can use the "Am I Eligible" app or https://am-i-eligible.covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/ to check your eligibility and schedule an appointment. NY State also has a hotline to schedule a vaccine: 1-833-NYS-4VAX (1-833-697-4829).

How to get vaccinated in New York City:
In New York City you can visit www.nyc.gov/vaccinefinder to make an appointment for a vaccine online. The phone number to schedule a vaccine is 877-VAX-4NYC (1-833-697-4829).

Find a test site near you: click here
COVID-19 Diagnostic Testing, NYU Langone Health (results available within 1-2 days)

To refer your friends and family to this service click here.
The state is partnering with the Kate Spade New York Foundation and Crisis Text Line to provide a 24/7 emotional support service for frontline health care workers: workers can text NYFRONTLINE to 741-741 to access these emotional support services.

**MASS TRANSIT**

The Subway resumed regular 24-hour service on May 17.

Busses are running at regular service. Fare payment is now required on all busses and boarding will be through the front door.

While ridership remains lower than normal levels, the MTA is encouraging riders to avoid the rush-hour commute if they can. See COVID-19 updates [here](https://www.mta.info/coronavirus).

Access-A-Ride: [https://new.mta.info/accessibility/paratransit](https://new.mta.info/accessibility/paratransit)
NYC Ferry: [https://www.ferry.nyc/](https://www.ferry.nyc/)

NY Department of Motor Vehicles (transactions and services impacted by COVID-19): [https://dmv.ny.gov/offices](https://dmv.ny.gov/offices)

NY Department of Motor Vehicles (online transactions): [https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/all-online-transactions](https://dmv.ny.gov/more-info/all-online-transactions)
NEW JERSEY

For updated information on the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission’s Licensing Centers and Vehicle Centers please click here. Most renewals, replacements, changes of address, and other transactions can be processed online.

See N.J. reopening guides here.

HEALTHCARE


How to get vaccinated in New Jersey:
You can reserve your spot to get a vaccine now by pre-registering at https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/. The site asks questions to determine when you are eligible to receive a vaccination.

This is the New Jersey COVID-19 information hub.

For more information on COVID-19 in NJ: https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/topics/ncov.shtml

The following link lists most of the healthcare providers in the United States and their actions in relation to COVID-19: https://www.ahip.org/health-insurance-providers-respond-to-coronavirus-covid-19/

MASS TRANSIT

New Jersey Transit has resumed normal service, with increased vehicle frequency where possible to reduce occupancy. Please view more details here.

Please visit the NJ Transit website for specific schedule information.
CONNECTICUT

Governor Ned Lamont Frequently asked questions in relation to COVID-19 in Connecticut:  

For more information on COVID-19 in CT: https://portal.ct.gov/Coronavirus

For information on the Connecticut Department of Motor Vehicles click here. Most Driver’s Licences, ID cards and vehicle registrations have been extended through December 2020.

HEALTHCARE UPDATES

CVS Pharmacy is beginning vaccinations this week at two Connecticut locations, according to the company. CVS locations in Putnam and Waterford are now accepting appointments for eligible Phase 1b residents, including people ages 75 and over and long-term care residents and staff, its website states.


All COVID-19 testing sites in Connecticut: https://www.211ct.org/search/67201508

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If you are displaying symptoms consistent with those of COVID-19, and are unable to get into contact with your primary care physician, please reach out to one of the following hotlines:  
Hartford Healthcare Hotline: (860) 972-8100
Yale New Haven Health: (833) 484-1200
Bristol Hospital Coronavirus Info Line: (860) 261-6855
Stamford Health: (203) 276-4111

MASS TRANSIT

Amtrak and commuter trains through eastern Connecticut:  
https://www.visitconnecticut.com/state/train-information/

Bus services Hartford, CT/NYC/Hartford, CT:  
Metro-North: http://www.mta.info/mnr
 PENNSYLVANIA

For updated information on COVID-19 from the State government, [click here](https://www.pa.gov/guides/get-vaccinated/).

PA residents are encouraged to download the [COVID Alert PA app](https://www.pa.gov/guides/get-vaccinated/).

HEALTHCARE UPDATES


Testing sites in Pennsylvania can be found [here](https://www.pa.gov/guides/get-vaccinated/).

For more information on COVID-19 in PA: [https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx](https://www.health.pa.gov/topics/disease/coronavirus/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx)

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MASS TRANSIT


Bus service from/to Philadelphia to NYC and from NYC to Philadelphia: [https://us.megabus.com/route-guides/philadelphia-to-new-york-bus](https://us.megabus.com/route-guides/philadelphia-to-new-york-bus)

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (Washington, D.C.)

Department of Motor Vehicles: make an appointment at [dmv.dc.gov](https://www.dmv.dc.gov).

HEALTHCARE UPDATES


How to [Book a COVID-19 Vaccine](https://www.vaccinate.dc.gov) appointment in DC, Maryland and Virginia.

All testing sites in Washington, D.C.: [https://coronavirus.dc.gov/testing](https://coronavirus.dc.gov/testing)
TRAVEL

Amtrak (updates during COVID-19):
https://www.amtrak.com/coronavirus?intcmp=wsp_hp-hero_link_service-updates_frame1

Travel Advisories: The U.S. Department of State Travel Advisories:
https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html/

Country Specific Information from the U.S. Dep. of State:

Flight / hotel / cruise reservations change and cancellation policies: (scroll down)

Most airlines in the US have stopped blocking the middle seat to provide distancing between passengers, and some have reverted to booking planes to capacity. See more details here.