

Vaccine Update

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Strategic aims of New Jersey's COVID-19 vaccination program

(from New Jersey's vaccination plan Executive Summary)



Provide equitable access to all who live, work, and/or are educated in New Jersey



Achieve community protection, assuming vaccine effectiveness, availability, and uptake



Build sustainable trust in COVID-19 and other vaccines



Updates from ACIP meeting on 12/20/2020 (1/2)

Prevention of Morbidity & Mortality

Preservation of Societal Functioning

1A

LTCF Residents

Health Care Personnel

1B

Persons 75 Years and Older

Frontline Essential Workers

1C

Persons 65-74 years
Persons 16-64 with high-risk
medical conditions

Other Essential Workers

- Ensure safety and effectiveness of COVID-19 Vaccines
- Ensure equity in vaccine allocation and distribution

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Updates from ACIP meeting on 12/20/2020 (2/2)

Total Essential Workers* (~87M)

Frontline Essential Workers (~30M)

- First Responders (Firefighters, Police)
- Education (teachers, support staff, daycare)
- Food & Agriculture
- Manufacturing
- Corrections Workers
- U.S. Postal Service Workers
- Public transit workers
- Grocery store workers

Other Essential Workers (~57M)

- Transportation and logistics
- Food service
- Shelter & Housing (construction)
- Finance
- IT & Communication
- Energy Media
- Legal
- Public Safety (Engineers)
- Water & Wastewater

Frontline Essential Worker: workers who are in sectors essential to the functioning of society and are at substantially higher risk of exposure to SARS-CoV-2

* CISA: Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers: <https://www.cisa.gov/news/2020/08/18/cisa-releases-updated-guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workers>



Preliminary Draft Recommendations of the NJDOH COVID-19 Professional Advisory Committee

Phase 1A	Phase 1B	Phase 1C
<p>Healthcare Personnel = Paid and unpaid persons serving in health care settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials</p>	<p>Frontline Essential Workers =</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agriculture, food production, food distribution ▪ Childcare, child support, and early childhood education ▪ Clergy ▪ Elder care ▪ K–12 education (teachers, staff, administrators, etc.) ▪ Medical supplies manufacturing and distribution ▪ Postal and shipping services ▪ Public and other local transportation (e.g. taxis, NJTransit, Uber) ▪ Public safety (e.g. first responders) ▪ Social services support staff (e.g. food pantries, shelter staff) 	<p>Other Essential Workers =</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Building, home services (e.g. plumbers), and real estate ▪ Communications systems, media, and press ▪ Higher education ▪ IT communications ▪ Judicial system ▪ Laundry services ▪ Long distance transportation (e.g. air travel) ▪ Retail financial services (e.g. banks for check cashing) ▪ Sanitation ▪ Utilities ▪ Warehousing and logistics
<p>Long-term Care Residents = Adults who reside in facilities that provide a range of services, including medical and personal care, to persons who are unable to live independently</p>	<p>High-risk populations including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Members of multi-generational households (3+ generations) ▪ Members of tribal communities ▪ Persons aged 75 and older ▪ Persons experiencing homelessness ▪ Persons living in a shelter 	<p>Other high-risk populations including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Persons aged 65–75 ▪ Persons aged 16–64 with medical conditions that increase risk of severe COVID-19

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Who can get a vaccine in New Jersey and when?

New Jersey's current phase as of January 7, 2021



Now

Spring 2021

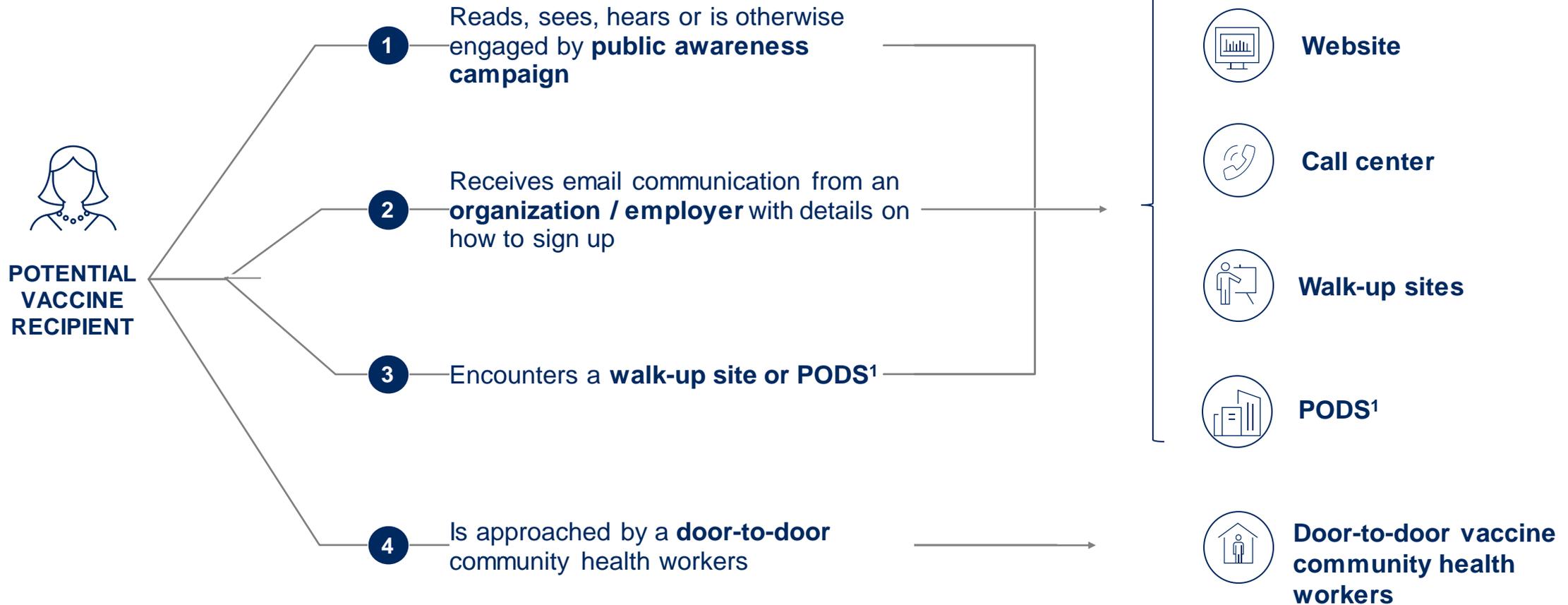
Informed by [CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Interim Playbook](#) (Sept. 16, 2020), CDC MMWR, [ACIP](#) Prioritization work group considerations

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Consumer registration pathways

How consumers are reached

How consumers register



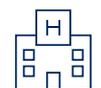
¹ PODS: Point Of Dispensing Sites

Initial Points of Dispensing sites for COVID-19 vaccination

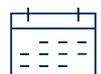
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Mega sites



Acute care hospitals



CVS / Walgreens / Others for Federally supported long-term care facilities program



Chain pharmacies



Urgent care centers



Federally Qualified Health Centers



Local Health Departments



All PODS will need to be equipped to do the following, among others:

- **Register**
- **Vaccinate**
- **Bill**
- **Ensure vaccine stewardship and cold chain management**
- **Report**

Vaccine recipient journey at a standard COVID-19 vaccination site

Registration and education



- **Vaccine recipient** registers via state website, call center, walk-up site or door-to-door program
- **Vaccine recipient** schedules appointment or walks in (including scheduling second dose)
- **NJHS** provides link to education on the COVID-19 vaccine in multiple languages
- **DOH-developed registration platform(s)** conducts eligibility screening (medical and prioritization)

Check-in and consent



- **Registration staff** checks in recipient and inputs consumer related data
- **Registration staff / patient navigator** provides education on the COVID-19 EUA factsheet (in multiple languages) again
- **Vaccine recipient** fills in “postcard” reminder (TBD)
- **Vaccinator / medical screener** conducts medical screening as required

Vaccination



- **Vaccinator** prepares vaccine doses
- **Vaccinator** administers vaccine
- **Vaccinator** inputs vaccine related data

Observation and Follow-up



- **Vaccinator** observes for 15 minutes post administration



- **Observation staff** hands consumer COVID vaccination record card
- **Observation staff** provides safety information and details for adverse event reporting and scheduling second dose appointment
- **DOH-developed registration platform(s)** sends second dose reminder (e.g., call back from call center, reminder from state online registration system)



Cost associated with COVID-19 vaccines

Vaccine costs

Administration costs

Consumers

- Free of charge

- Free of charge

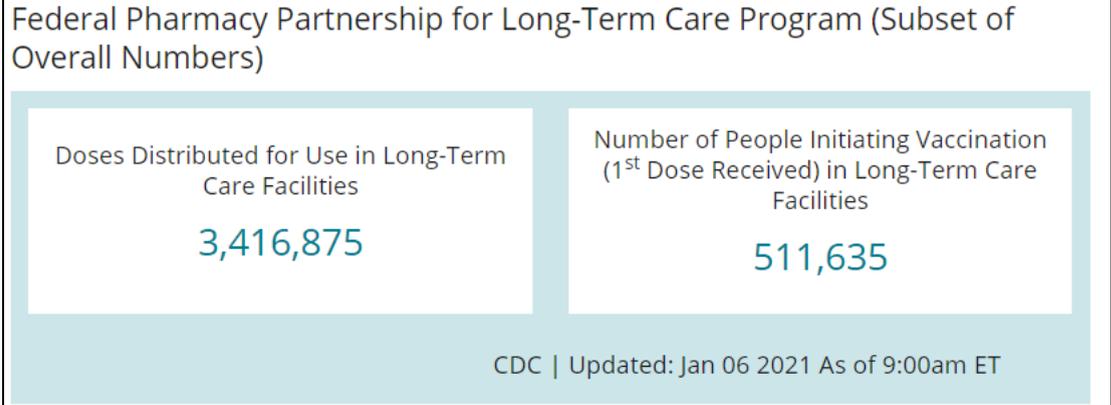
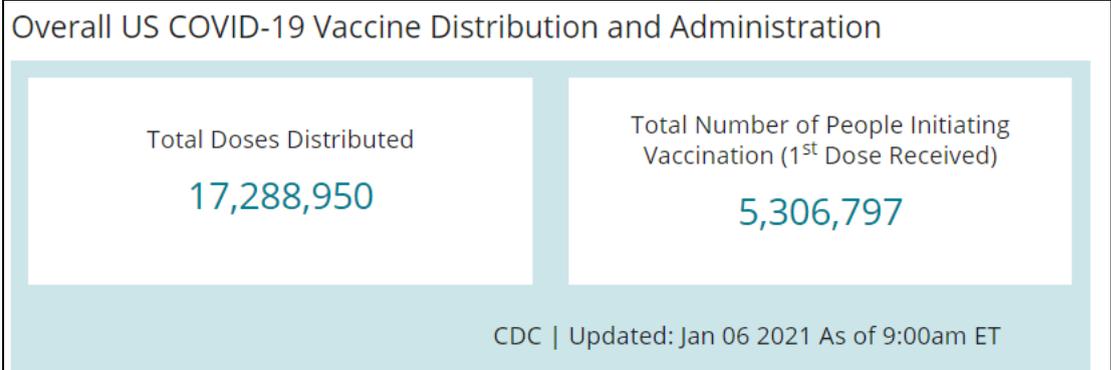
Providers

- Free of charge from federal government¹

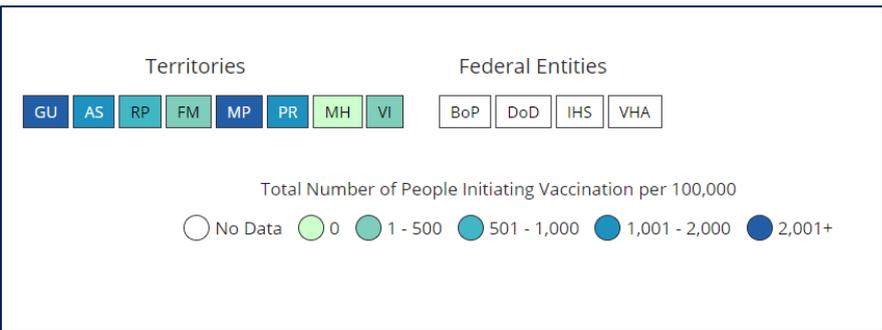
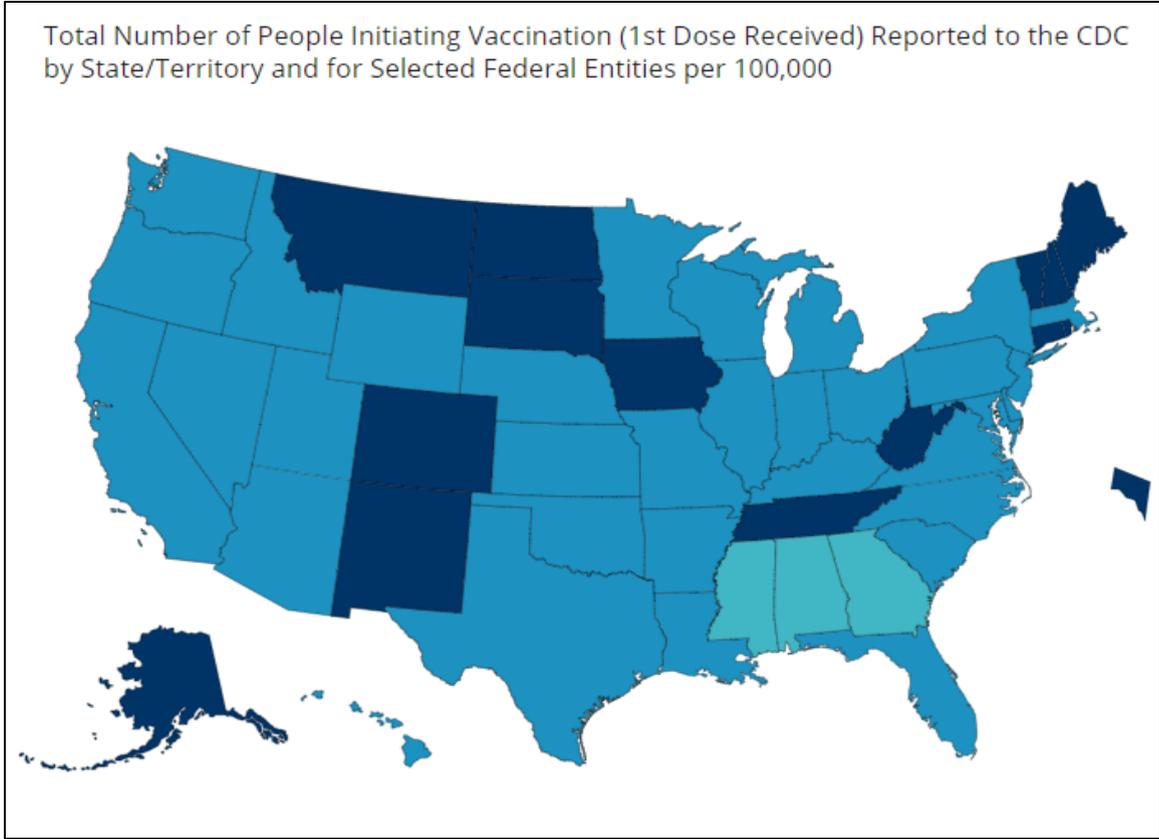
- Reimbursement of \$16.90 for first dose and \$28.40 for second dose expected
- Insured persons: To be billed to private insurer, Medicaid, Medicare, etc.
- Uninsured persons: To be reimbursed through the federal uninsured fund managed by Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), which has already been covering the cost of care for uninsured COVID-19 patients¹

¹ From U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Answers to National Governors Association Questions on Vaccine Distribution and Planning Preliminary, pre-decisional, and deliberative. Based on input provided by State agency leaders and staff, to date, and subject to change. Content is descriptive only and is not meant to constitute legal, clinical, or policy advice.

CDC Dashboard (as of 10pm 1/6/2020)



New Jersey
 Total Distributed: 406,500 (4,577 per 100k)
 People Initiating Vaccination (1st Dose Received): 137,586 (1,549 per 100k)



Operational Numbers as of 11:30am January 7, 2021 (from NJIIS)

Doses Received:

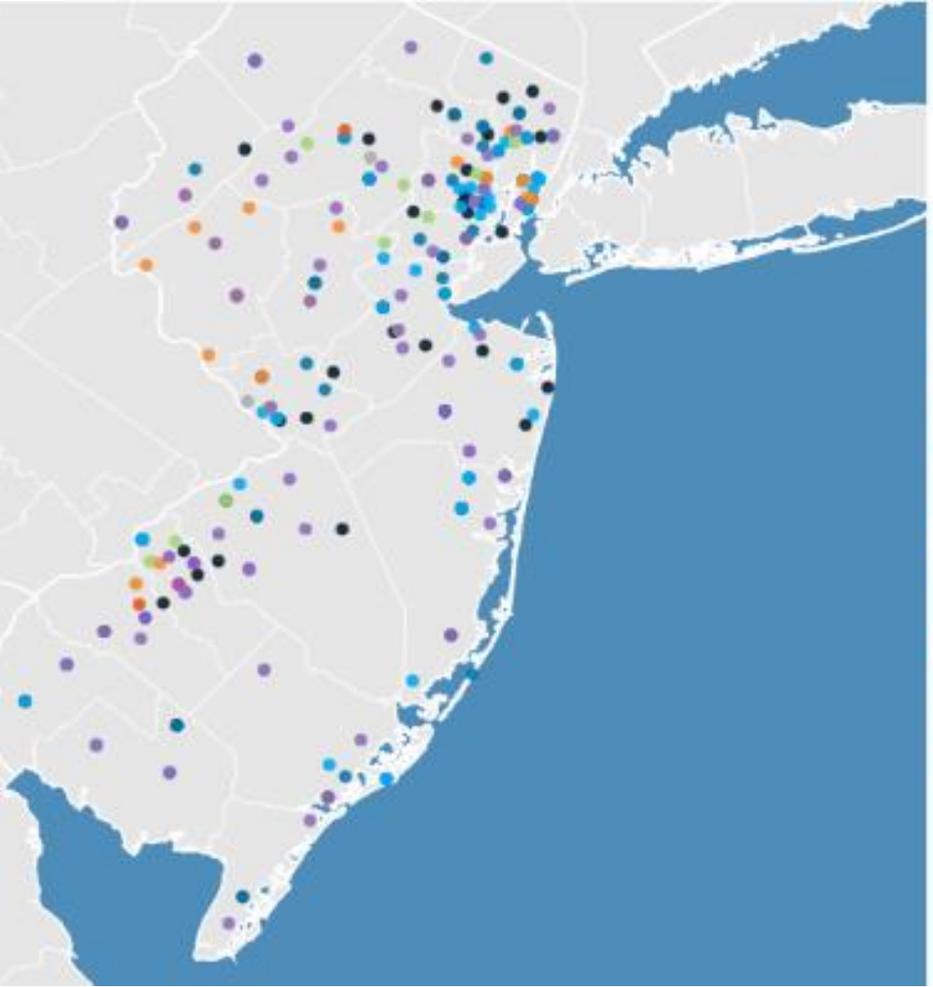
MODERNA	201,039
PFIZER	135,531
Grand Total	336,570

Doses Administered:

MODERNA	80,169
PFIZER	77,545
Grand Total	157,714

Daily report on vaccination (as of 6pm 1/6/2021) – All PODS 5/6

**All sites
N = 248**



County	Facilities	Facilities per 100K
Hunterdon	11	9
Salem	4	6
Warren	6	6
Cumberland	8	5
Mercer	16	4
Cape May	4	4
Atlantic	11	4
Camden	18	4
Morris	15	3
Essex	24	3
Burlington	13	3
Sussex	4	3
Gloucester	8	3
Hudson	18	3
Somerset	8	2
Monmouth	15	2
Ocean	13	2
Passaic	11	2
Middlesex	15	2
Union	10	2
Bergen	16	2

LTC Vaccination as per Tiberius

Facilities with 1st Clinic Date

Total Facilities Scheduled in January 2021 (1/6 – 1/31) and February 2021: **1,053**

Pharmacy	Number of facilities
CVS	1,030
Walgreens	23

Facilities with 2nd Clinic Date

Total Facilities Scheduled in January 2021 (1/6 – 1/31) : **397**

Pharmacy	Number of facilities
CVS	394
Walgreens	3

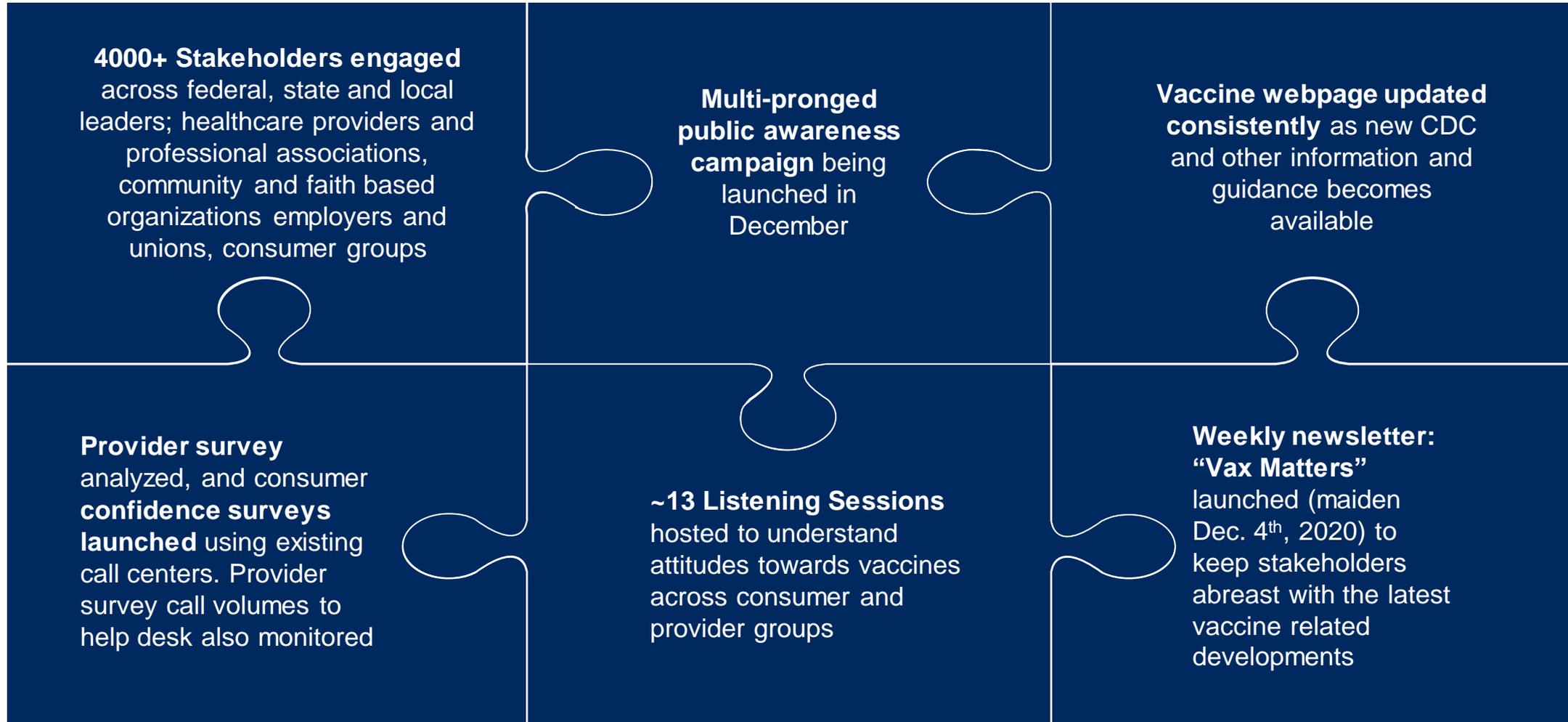
Doses Administered

Pharmacy	#Individuals vaccinated (NJIS)	#Individuals vaccinated (reported by pharmacy)
CVS	5,736	17,029
Walgreens	3,561	N/A

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Public confidence building is critical



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Vax Matters

December 31, 2020

News

Vaccination Sites Available for Healthcare Workers

Community-based vaccination sites are now open across New Jersey for Phase 1A healthcare workers.

Phase 1A includes paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials.

Phase 1A also includes long-term care residents and staff.

Healthcare workers can choose a site and call the site's phone number to schedule an appointment.

Those not yet eligible can learn more about the vaccine program at [covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://www.nj.gov/covid19/vaccine).

In January, New Jersey will launch its online vaccine scheduling system to further help Phase 1A recipients to identify vaccination locations and schedule appointments.



Rutgers University's School of Osteopathic Medicine kicked off "Operation Saving Lives" and is among the list of sites.

Vaccinations Begin for Long-Term Care Residents, Staff

Vaccinations began this week at New Jersey's long-term care facilities under the federal Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program between the Centers for Disease Control and CVS and Walgreens.

To date, 503 facilities have been scheduled to receive their first vaccinations through CVS and 36 with Walgreens.

Mildred Clements, 103, of Roosevelt Care Center in Old Bridge, was the state's first long-term care resident to receive the vaccine during a CVS clinic at the site. Esther Moodey, a nurse at the facility, was the first staff member.

"I felt normal. I was excited to receive it. I was nervous but it's beautiful," said Esther, who has been a staff nurse at Roosevelt Care Center for over 14 years. "I'm glad I got it. I'm glad I'm the first one to get it, too."

The federal partnership program expects to vaccinate over 109,880 residents and staff through the beginning of February, with more sites of congregate living to be scheduled.

"Throughout this pandemic, the residents and staff of our long-term care facilities have been among the most severely impacted," said New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) Commissioner Judith Persichilli. "With the start of this large-scale vaccination effort, we are continuing to strengthen protections for our most vulnerable populations, along with the staff who have been truly courageous in caring for them."

Vaccinations are also underway for residents and staff of the state's three veterans memorial homes.

In addition to long-term care residents and staff, 72,637 individuals have now received the vaccine. Information for Phase 1A healthcare workers on vaccination locations can be found at [covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://www.nj.gov/covid19/vaccine).

New Jersey continues its journey to vaccinate 70 percent of the eligible population. The state has been awarded over 400,000 vaccine doses in December. Of that, approximately 120,000 doses have been reserved for long-term care facilities' residents and staff; 280,000 doses have been allocated to hospitals and community sites. Of that, approximately 265,000 have been delivered with the remainder expected at the end of this week.

COVID-19 Vaccines

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ly local community that this is I booster shot.

Video Series for Healthcare Workers Available

Project ECHO recently hosted a 19 Vaccination Essentials webinar with NJDOH to answer questions healthcare personnel and to provide in vaccine safety, when and where vaccinated, what to expect at points of entry, and related topics. [Videos of sessions](#) are now available.

Center Tallies Hotline Calls

comes to a close, the [New Jersey Central Center](#) has spoken to over people on the COVID-19 hotline.

Resources

[COVID-19 Vaccination Page](#)
[New Jersey COVID-19 Vaccination Plan](#)
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recently retired individuals) having vaccination skills are especially needed now that COVID-19 vaccines are available for delivery cur- education and outreach, warehouse operations, clerical, counseling and more) are needed.

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What do we need from you?



Seek knowledge and be informed



Reach out if you have questions



Participate in setting up vaccination sites



Work with us to build public confidence



Engage with your members



Stay safe, stay healthy, ...

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...and get vaccinated!