



# COVID-19 Provider Update

Wednesday, November 30, 2021

# Population Coverage: As of November 24<sup>th</sup>

			At least one dose		Fully vaccinated		Additional doses		
Age Range	% of Population	CT Population	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Total Doses Administered
All ages	100.0%	3,565,287	2,732,525	76.6%	2,462,709	69.1%	543,025	15.2%	5,556,373
5+	95.0%	3,383,577	2,732,315	80.8%	2,462,596	72.8%	543,025	16.0%	5,556,050
12+	87.0%	3,105,947	2,673,535	86.1%	2,462,549	79.3%	543,025	17.5%	5,497,223
16+	82.0%	2,929,347	2,545,753	86.9%	2,349,949	80.2%	542,935	18.5%	5,256,761
18+	80.0%	2,837,847	2,471,868	87.1%	2,281,916	80.4%	542,804	19.1%	5,114,761
35+	57.0%	2,047,745	1,871,365	91.4%	1,743,434	85.1%	505,182	24.7%	3,993,056
45+	45.0%	1,620,604	1,505,854	92.9%	1,405,556	86.7%	461,781	28.5%	3,282,361
55+	32.0%	1,143,699	1,102,062	96.4%	1,026,942	89.8%	402,695	35.2%	2,471,868
65+	18.0%	630,244	622,900	98.8%	570,032	90.4%	295,144	46.8%	1,469,737
75+	8.0%	277,425	266,018	95.9%	242,269	87.3%	130,585	47.1%	632,620

Data as reported to CT DPH Immunization Information System (IIS) CT WiZ.

All ages estimate includes 210 people with unknown age

Additional dose includes individuals who have had at least one dose after completion of the a primary COVID-19 vaccine series

# Age coverage: Specific age groups

*Doses Reported by 11/24/2021*

			At least one dose		Fully vaccinated		Additional doses		
Age Range	% of Population	CT Population	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Total Doses Administered
<5	5.0%	181,710	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
5-11	8.0%	277,630	58,780	21.2%	47	0.0%	0	0.0%	58,827
12-15	5.0%	176,600	127,782	72.4%	112,600	63.8%	90	0.1%	240,462
16-17	3.0%	91,500	73,885	80.7%	68,033	74.4%	131	0.1%	142,000
18-24	10.0%	342,073	247,808	72.4%	219,803	64.3%	9,208	2.7%	455,109
25-34	13.0%	448,029	352,695	78.7%	318,679	71.1%	28,414	6.3%	666,596
35-44	12.0%	427,141	365,511	85.6%	337,878	79.1%	43,401	10.2%	710,695
45-54	13.0%	476,905	403,792	84.7%	378,614	79.4%	59,086	12.4%	810,493
55-64	14.0%	513,455	479,162	93.3%	456,910	89.0%	107,551	20.9%	1,002,131
65-74	10.0%	352,819	356,882	101.2%	327,763	92.9%	164,559	46.6%	837,117
75-84	5.0%	186,095	187,935	101.0%	171,016	91.9%	95,746	51.5%	450,672
85+	3.0%	91,330	78,083	85.5%	71,253	78.0%	34,839	38.1%	181,948
<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>3,565,287</b>	<b>2,732,315</b>	<b>76.6%</b>	<b>2,462,596</b>	<b>69.1%</b>	<b>543,025</b>	<b>15.2%</b>	<b>5,556,050</b>

\*At least one dose includes individuals who have received one dose of Pfizer, Moderna, or J&J

\*\*Fully vaccinated includes individuals who received one dose of J&J, two doses of Moderna, or two doses of Pfizer.

\*\*\*Additional dose includes individuals who have had at least one dose after completion of the a primary COVID-19 vaccine series

\*\*\*\*210 people with age missing are exclude from this table

# Booster Updates

Age	mRNA COVID-19 vaccine primary series		J&J COVID-19 vaccine primary series
	No risk factors	Resident of LTCF	
18+ years	Should receive booster		

<https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2021/s1129-booster-recommendations.html>

While it is extremely important to continue reaching out to unvaccinated populations, providers are encouraged to reach out to their vaccinated patients to recommend booster doses in light of the recent CDC recommendation.

# Booster Updates

## **Updated recommendations for people vaccinated outside of the United States and people who received COVID-19 vaccine as part of a clinical trial**

CDC issued Emergency Use Instructions (EUI) and updated its [clinical considerations](#) to allow the COVID-19 vaccine by Pfizer-BioNTech to be given as an additional primary dose or booster dose to certain people who completed a vaccine primary series with certain COVID-19 vaccines that are not authorized or approved by the FDA. This ensures that eligible people who were vaccinated outside of the U.S. with these vaccines, or who received certain non-FDA authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccines through participation in some clinical trials, can get an additional primary dose or booster dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.



# Eastern Connecticut Provider Call

**The Connecticut Department of Public Health Infectious Diseases Epidemiology and Immunization Programs is inviting healthcare practitioners across Eastern Connecticut to a lunchtime conversation this Friday, December 3, at 12pm.**

We recognize that Eastern Connecticut currently has the highest rates of COVID-19 incidence, as well as relatively low vaccination rates, compared to the rest of the state. We would like to invite practitioners to a forum where best practices and lessons will be exchanged and where we can seek your input on how the Department of Public Health can strengthen its work in Eastern Connecticut.

Research has shown that vaccine hesitancy is best addressed by clinicians and healthcare professionals whom individuals know and trust. We look forward to your ideas, experiences, and feedback.

**Meeting Info:** Connecticut Dept of Public Health call with Eastern CT Healthcare Practitioners

**Time:** Dec 3, 2021 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

**Join Zoom Meeting** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84905734245?pwd=bzdLTyt1OXZuSVBFNERLR2RRQnV1dz09>

Note: Participant lines will be limited, so please mark your calendars and join in with others in your practice if possible.

**Meeting ID: 849 0573 4245**

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# Pfizer Updates

CDC plans to transition to the Comirnaty branded Pfizer product and phase out the existing presentation.

The minimum order size is expected to be 300 doses and the product does not require diluent. The 6-dose vial will have the same dose volume as the current purple cap (0.3mL) and be stable at 2°-8°C for up to 10 weeks. The product can also be stored at -90° - 60°C for up to 6 months.

Comirnaty is not approved for storage in a conventional freezer.

Description	Current Formulation	Future Formulations	
	<i>Dilute Prior to Use</i>	<i>Do Not Dilute</i>	<i>Dilute Prior to Use</i>
Age Group	12 years and older	12 years and older	5 to <12 years*
Vial Cap Color	PURPLE  	GRAY  	ORANGE  
Dose	30 mcg	30 mcg	10 mcg
Injection Volume	0.3 mL	0.3 mL	0.2 mL
Fill Volume (before dilution)	0.45 mL	2.25 mL	1.3 mL
Amount of Diluent* Needed per Vial	1.8 mL	NO DILUTION	1.3 mL
Doses per Vial	6 doses per vial (after dilution)	6 doses per vial	10 doses per vial (after dilution)
<b>Storage Conditions</b>			
ULT Freezer (-90°C to -60°C)	9 months	6 months	6 months
Freezer (-25°C to -15°C)	2 weeks	N/A	N/A
Refrigerator (2°C to 8°C)	1 month	10 weeks	10 weeks

\*Diluent: 0.9% sterile Sodium Chloride Injection, USP (non-bacteriostatic; DO NOT USE OTHER DILUENTS)

# Pfizer Updates

## Medical Updates & Immunization Site Training for All Healthcare Providers led by Pfizer Vaccines US Medical Affairs

*Beginning Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup> at 12pm ET, sessions will include information regarding the **DO NOT DILUTE / Gray Cap** formulation of the vaccine for individuals 12 years of age and older.*

### Session topics include:

- Use of the vaccine for:
  - Children 5 through 11 Years of Age
  - Individuals 12 Years of Age and Older
- Storage, Handling, Preparation & Administration for the multiple presentations of the vaccine
- Recent medical updates regarding the vaccine
- An overview of healthcare provider resources
- Question and answer session

These sessions will be **updated** to reflect new information and changes that evolve. Recent updates will be identified at the start of each session.

To access current and future training sessions, please visit:  
<https://www.pfizermedicalinformation.com/en-us/medical-updates>

*Schedule through December 2021. Check the website for 2022 training sessions*

Date & Time	Password
<a href="#">Attendee link – Wed December 1 – 12 PM ET</a>	h8tGJaxe56A
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<a href="#">Attendee link – Fri December 3 – 12 PM ET</a>	rkMHiiMB223
<a href="#">Attendee link – Mon December 6 – 5 PM ET</a>	7TPd4QgG6kM
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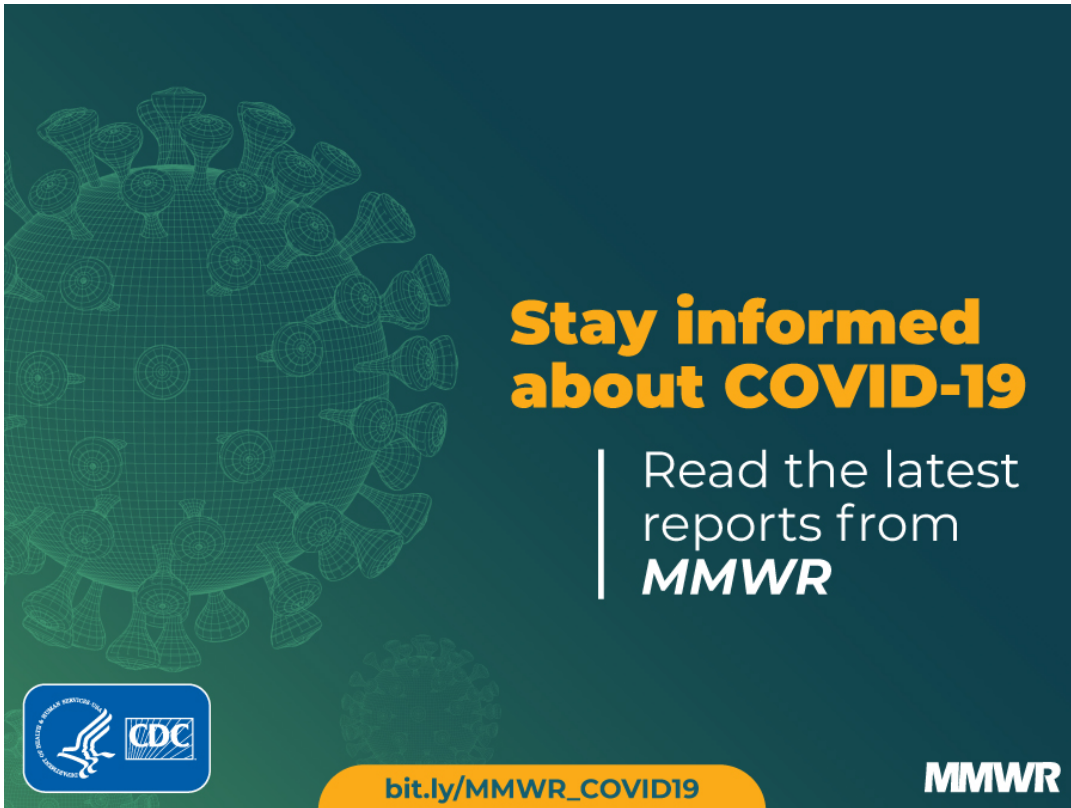
# CDC Holiday Shipping

CDC has not released their holiday shipping schedule for Christmas and New Year, but providers should expect shipping restrictions and manage inventory appropriately.

While we have no official word yet, we anticipate there will be no deliveries made on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, or New Year's Day.

Please remember that all vaccine orders should be placed in the ordering portal by noon on Tuesday to be delivered for the following Monday.

# CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report



[Risk for Stillbirth Among Women With and Without COVID-19 at Delivery Hospitalization — United States, March 2020–September 2021](#)

[COVID-19–Associated Deaths After SARS-CoV-2 Infection During Pregnancy — Mississippi, March 1, 2020–October 6, 2021](#)

# Summary: Best Practices

*Best practices for vaccine equity in the 5-11 roll-out that we heard from FQHCs*

- 1 Open 5-11 kids' clinics to the **whole family**
- 2 Provide ongoing vaccine access via **school-based health centers**
- 3 **Extend clinic hours** after school and on select weekends
- 4 Offer the COVID-19 vaccine at **every patient check-in**
- 5 **Call every patient** to ask if their child has been COVID-19 vaccinated
- 6 Set up a **simple consent form** so that kids can get vaccinated without parents physically present
- 7 During vaccination, offer **comfort and support** to not only kids but also parents
- 8 Hold **town halls** to share the latest vaccination information
- 9 Work with your **local health department** to advertise your clinics
- 10 Let us know **how DPH can help!**



## CT WiZ/VAMS Update

# Updated Prevacination Screening Forms

## COVID-19 Vaccination Data Quality









Version 1.0  
12/1/2021

# Updated Prevaccination Screening Forms

Updated 11/23/2021

## CT DPH Webpage

### Forms

- [Add VAMS Clinics Form](#)  (mobile, pop-up, etc)
- [Prevaccination Screening Form](#)  English ver 9-2-21
- [Prevaccination Screening Form](#)  Bengali ver 5-7-21
- [Prevaccination Screening Form](#)  Chinese ver 5-7-21
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## CDC Website

by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (U.S.)



English

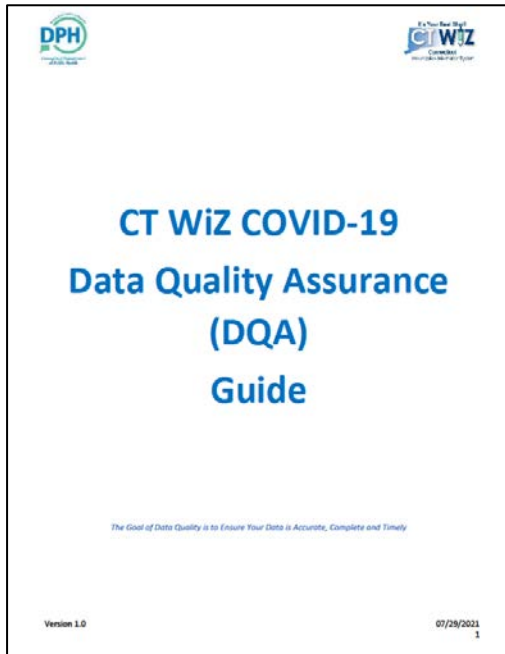
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# COVID-19 Vaccination Data Quality



- Recipients are now using the [CT WiZ Public Portal](#) to get their vaccination records! 😊
- **Data Quality is so important!**
  - [Click here](#) for a CT WiZ Data Quality Guide
    - It prevents duplicate records in CT WiZ.
    - It enables recipients to use the CT WiZ Public Portal (which requires an exact match on their contact information and an email or cell phone for two-factor authentication).
- **Best Practices**
  - [Check CT WiZ](#) before administering a vaccine to review their history & verify contact information (including email and cell phone).
  - [Making corrections in VAMS:](#)
    - Make demographic updates in **BOTH** CT WiZ and VAMS, as these will not transfer to CT WiZ.
    - Make vaccination updates in VAMS and only these will transfer to CT WiZ.

# Updating Patient Demographics in CT WiZ

- Search for the individual -
    - Enter Last Name and First Name or any identifier you may have
    - Click “Search”
    - Results appear at the bottom of the page – click on the individual you are looking for
  - Click “Demographics”
- NOTE:** Using less characters will give you a larger result, which could be helpful if the patient has a hyphenated last name or a misspelling.



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App Version 21.3.1.0  
Recommender Version 1.6.5.0  
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## Patient Search [Learn More](#)

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### Search Criteria

Patient ID	Identifier Type	Identifier Value		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	DOB	Gender
<input type="text" value="MOUSE"/>	<input type="text" value="MINNIE"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="MM/DD/YYYY"/>	<input type="text"/>
Birth Info				
Mother Last Name	Mother First Name	Mother Middle Name	Mother Maiden Name	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	
Father Last Name	Father First Name	Father Middle Name		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Tags				
<div>Tags</div> <div></div>				
Note: Hold the Ctrl key to select multiple items.				
Previous Criteria			Clear	Search

### Search Results - 2 record(s)

ID	Name	Phone	Insurance	Gender	DOB	Action
896095	MOUSE, MINNIE			F	12/26/1953	Demographics
896040	MOUSE, MINNIE 125 MAIN ST HARTFORD, CT 06150			F	04/10/2019	Demographics




Make updates as  
needed and click  
“Update”

✓ Success The Record Has Been Saved

**NOTE: Patient  
Reminder/Recall Report**

is a helpful report

[CT WiZ Reports Manual](#)


**MOUSE, MINNIE** ID: 896040 DOB: 04/10/2019 AGE: 2Y 1M 0D GENDER: F + Precautions / Contraindications ARE specified

Patient Demographics ? i [Learn More](#)

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### Edit

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#### Patient Information

Last Name \*

MOUSE

First Name \*

MINNIE

Middle Name

Generation

Gender \*

FEMALE

DOB \*

04/10/2019

Birth Time

HH:MM AM/PM (HH:MM A/P)

Patient Eligibility \*

(V02) VFC ELIGIBLE - MEDICAID/MEDICAID MANAGED CARE

Language

ENGLISH

English Speaking?

Interpreter Needed?

History of Varicella

LABORATORY EVIDENCE OF IMMUNITY OR CONFIRMATION OF VARICELLA DISEASE

Date of Varicella

06/18/2019

#### Primary Contact

Relationship Type

MOTHER

Last Name

MOUSE

First Name

MILLIE

Middle Name

Generation

#### Alias

Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

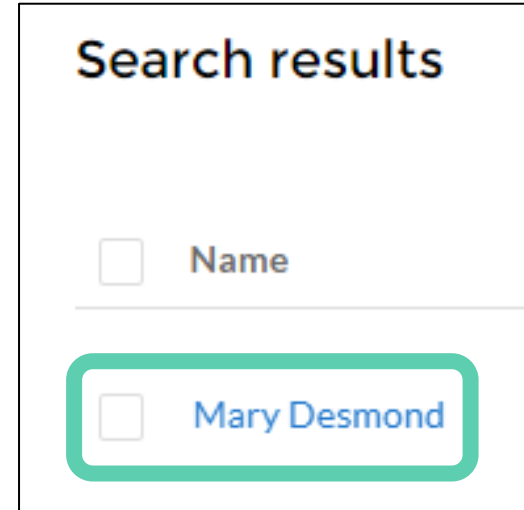
Generation

#### Sources of Health Insurance

Health Insurance Source (identify up to three)	Insurance ID or Number	Date Last Verified	Primary?
		MM/DD/YYYY	<input type="checkbox"/>
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# Updating Patient Information in VAMS

- Select the clinic
- Search for the individual - [Search for existing recipient](#)
- Click on the individual's name/hyperlink
- Click [Edit information](#)
- Here you can update the following:
  - Representative/guardian information (for minors), demographic information, contact information, communication preferences, insurance information, emergency contact information and whether or not you would like to create an account
  - Click [Save](#) at the top of the page
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** Patient demographic updates in VAMS WILL NOT transfer over to CT WiZ, but vaccination record updates will!

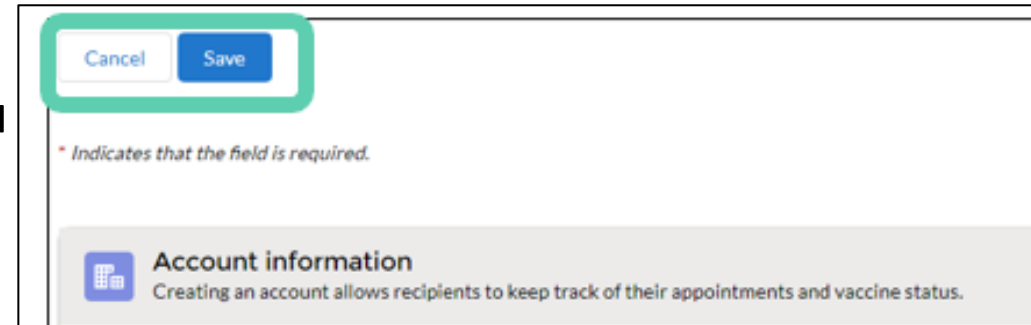


Search results

☐ Name


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☐ [Mary Desmond](#)



[Cancel](#) [Save](#)


\* Indicates that the field is required.

 **Account information**  
Creating an account allows recipients to keep track of their appointments and vaccine status.



# Updating Vaccination Records in CT WiZ

- Click “Immunizations”
- Search for the individual



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## Patient Search [Learn More](#)

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### Search Criteria

Patient ID	Identifier Type	Identifier Value		
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	DOB	Gender
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="MM/DD/YYYY"/>	<input type="text"/>

#### Birth Info

Mother Last Name	Mother First Name	Mother Middle Name	Mother Maiden Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Father Last Name	Father First Name	Father Middle Name	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

#### Tags

Tags

2ND COVID NOT ADVISED -MD

2ND COVID DOSE OUT OF CT

Note: Hold the Ctrl key to select multiple items.

Previous Criteria

Clear

Search

**Info:** To minimize the creation of duplicates and aid in the identification of existing duplicates, please initially search for your patient using the first two letters of the first and last name and the date of birth.

In CT WiZ:

- Find vaccination and click “Update”
- Make updates as needed and click “Update And Return”

## View

Please enter required information on Patient Demographics screen prior to entering immunizations.

DOB 
 Age 
 History of Varicella? 
 Date of Varicella

### Recommended Immunizations for today, 5/10/2021 (53Y 11M 14D)

#### Vaccine

MMR

Varicella

Tdap, Adsorbed

Recombinant Zoster

Please do not rely solely on the Recommender to forecast immunizations. Utilize clinical judgment and consult both the ACIP recommended immunization schedules and the CDC Pink Book @ <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html#chapters>


Vaccine	Dose	Date	Age	Clinic	
<b>Influenza</b>					
Flu MDCK Quad P-Free Inj	1	09/04/2020	53Y 3M 9D	PH7186	<input type="button" value="Update"/>
<b>COVID-19</b>					
COVID-19 mRNA (PFR)	1	03/20/2021	53Y 9M 22D	C1736P8526	<input type="button" value="Update"/>
COVID-19 mRNA (PFR)	2	04/10/2021	53Y 10M 15D	C0096P3050	<input type="button" value="Update"/>

☒ Auto-Populate Add Vaccines Screen


# Updating Vaccination Records in VAMS

## In VAMS:

- Select the clinic
- Search for the individual - [Search for existing recipient](#)
- Edit the record or invalidate the record
- These vaccination record updates WILL transfer from VAMS to CT WiZ
- For more information on editing Recipient records, refer to VAMS [2.3](#) and [3.1](#) Release Notes

 Vaccination record

[Edit record](#) [Invalidate record](#)

 System will automatically adjust inventory when editing or invalidating a record if there is enough inventory on-hand. If inventory is depleted, that vaccine will not be selectable when updating a record.


Recipient name  
[Patty Dunn](#)

Date administered  
5/10/2021

Manufacturer  
Moderna US, Inc.

Product  
10 Dose Moderna COVID

UoU (vial) lot number  
654

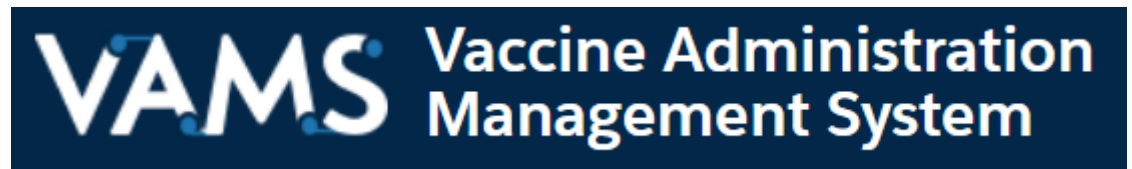
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# CT WiZ/VAMS Office Hours

## CT WiZ/VAMS Live Helpdesk Office Hours

- Join Via Microsoft Teams
- Tuesdays 9:00 – 10:00
- Join anytime during office hours to ask a question





# CDC VAMS Office Hours

## Tuesday 2:30-3:30 (with VAMS directly)

To join the meeting from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone, or Android device, click the link below:

**Access Link:** <https://deloitte.zoom.us/j/97463844211?pwd=eGUrUkYremJmdHQxVEZqYzdKZmlHZz09>

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# Question and Answers

To ask a question, please raise your hand using the hand icon on your screen, type your question in the chat box or if you are on the phone press \*6 to unmute yourself.

If you have additional questions after the meeting, please feel free to email them to [DPH.Immunizations@ct.gov](mailto:DPH.Immunizations@ct.gov)

You can fill out a help desk ticket by visiting <https://dph-cthelpdesk.ct.gov/Ticket>