



COVID-19 Provider Update

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

Population Coverage: As of November 8

Age Range	% of Population	CT Population	At least one dose		Fully vaccinated		Additional doses		Total Doses Administered
			Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
All ages	100.0%	3,565,287	2,644,046	74.2%	2,433,094.0	68.2%	366,745	10.3%	5,263,939
5+	95.0%	3,383,577	2,643,929	78.1%	2,433,026.0	71.9%	366,745	10.8%	5,263,766
12+	87.0%	3,105,947	2,634,866	84.8%	2,433,025.0	78.3%	366,745	11.8%	5,254,702
16+	82.0%	2,929,347	2,509,149	85.7%	2,321,782.0	79.3%	366,670	12.5%	5,017,677
18+	80.0%	2,837,847	2,435,707	85.8%	2,254,204.0	79.4%	366,585	12.9%	4,876,621
35+	57.0%	2,047,745	1,845,482	90.1%	1,724,479.0	84.2%	348,074	17.0%	3,792,378
45+	45.0%	1,620,604	1,485,981	91.7%	1,392,169.0	85.9%	325,846	20.1%	3,114,023
55+	32.0%	1,143,699	1,087,334	95.1%	1,017,597.0	89.0%	294,602	25.8%	2,340,215
65+	18.0%	630,244	614,695	97.5%	566,402.0	89.9%	233,437	37.0%	1,396,393
75+	8.0%	277,425	262,629	94.7%	240,862.0	86.8%	105,174	37.9%	602,481

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

All ages estimate includes 117 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 11/8/2021

Age Range	% of Population	CT Population	At least one dose		Fully vaccinated		Additional doses		Total Doses Administered
			Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
<5	5.0%	181,710	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0
5-11	8.0%	277,630	9,063	3.3%	1	0.0%	0	0.0%	9,064
12-15	5.0%	176,600	125,717	71.2%	111,243	63.0%	75	0.0%	237,025
16-17	3.0%	91,500	73,442	80.3%	67,578	73.9%	85	0.1%	141,056
18-24	10.0%	342,073	244,026	71.3%	216,806	63.4%	3,817	1.1%	443,171
25-34	13.0%	448,029	346,199	77.3%	312,919	69.8%	14,694	3.3%	641,072
35-44	12.0%	427,141	359,501	84.2%	332,310	77.8%	22,228	5.2%	678,355
45-54	13.0%	476,905	398,647	83.6%	374,572	78.5%	31,244	6.6%	773,808
55-64	14.0%	513,455	472,639	92.1%	451,195	87.9%	61,165	11.9%	943,822
65-74	10.0%	352,819	352,066	99.8%	325,540	92.3%	128,263	36.4%	793,912
75-84	5.0%	186,095	185,590	99.7%	170,128	91.4%	77,988	41.9%	429,729
85+	3.0%	91,330	77,039	84.4%	70,734	77.4%	27,186	29.8%	172,752
Grand Total		3,565,287	2,643,929	74.2%	2,433,026	68.2%	366,745	10.3%	5,263,766

*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

****117 people with age missing are exclude from this table



Booster Coverage 65+

Data Reported as of 11/12/2021

	RECEIVED AT LEAST ONE DOSE	FULLY VACCINATED	RECEIVED BOOSTER DOSE
ALL PEOPLE	2,880,007 80.8% of total population	2,541,884 71.3% of total population	402,424 15.8% of fully vaccinated total pop
PEOPLE 12-17	212,301 79.2% of 12-17 population	184,545 68.8% of 12-17 population	N/A
PEOPLE 18+	2,652,819 93.5% of 18+ population	2,356,765 83.0% of 18+ population	402,166 17.1% of fully vaccinated 18+ pop
PEOPLE 65+	679,555 99.9% of 65+ population	590,871 93.8% of 65+ population	252,009 42.7% of fully vaccinated 65+ pop

Source - COVID-19 State Profile Report: Connecticut

<https://healthdata.gov/Community/COVID-19-State-Profile-Report-Connecticut/fkqu-6qqx>

Please issue clear recommendations for your patients

65 and older?

Get a booster!

Received J&J?

Get a booster!

**Other people
18-64**

You are likely eligible for a booster. Eligible individuals include:

- People with underlying medical conditions, such as being overweight, smoking, having Asthma, Diabetes, high blood pressure, COPD, or mental health disorders
- People who frequently come into contact with strangers or members of the public in their work or living situation

The choice is yours, considering your individual risk & benefit

Expect continued changes and expansion of booster eligibility

Reminder, individuals should not be turned away if coming at the appropriate interval

F.D.A. Plans to Authorize Pfizer Boosters for All Adults This Week

Regulators are set to clear extra doses of Pfizer-BioNTech's vaccine as soon as Thursday, after states began expanding eligibility on their own.



With F.D.A. approval, any adult who received a second dose of the vaccine at least six months ago would be officially eligible to get a booster as soon as this weekend. James Estrin/The New York Times

CDC Holiday Shipping

	Wednesday, Nov. 24	Thursday, Nov. 25	Friday, Nov. 26	Saturday, Nov 27	Sunday Nov. 28
PFIZER	Deliveries upon Request	No Deliveries	No Deliveries	No Deliveries	No Deliveries
McKesson Specialty	Deliveries upon Request	No Deliveries	No Deliveries	No Deliveries	No Deliveries

Deliveries of all products will resume on November 29th. Requests that would typically be filled via redistribution will continue to be filled per the usual timeline as in-state supply allows.

Pfizer 5-11 Updates

Some providers have reported a discrepancy in the ability to extract doses from the Pfizer pediatric vaccine vials. The Pfizer pediatric vial is labeled as containing 10 doses per the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA); however, some providers are reporting they are able to extract only 9 doses, while others are reporting up to 13 doses.

Efforts are underway to determine the source of this discrepancy.

Stay vigilant and avoid administration errors:

- Dilute vials properly (1.3 mL of sterile 0.9% Sodium Chloride)
- Ensure the correct dose volume is drawn (0.2 mL)

Pfizer 6hr Label Correction

Labels were printed, “Discard 6 hours after dilution.” However, the FDA approved the vaccine for discarding 12 hours after dilution. This updated information is printed in the EUA and Fact Sheets as follows:

“After dilution, the vial should be held between 2°C to 25°C (35°F to 77°F). Vials should be discarded 12 hours after dilution. Vial labels and cartons may state that a vial should be discarded 6 hours after the first puncture. The information in this Fact Sheet supersedes the number of hours printed on vial labels and cartons.”

To increase the likelihood of drawing all 10 doses from a vial, use a combination of low dead volume/low dead space syringes and other syringes provided in the ancillary kits.

Example: For the adult Pfizer vials, a ratio of 5 LDV to 1 Non-LDV syringe greatly impacted the ability to draw six doses.

Pfizer 5-11 Administration Assistance

Pfizer Vaccines US Medical Affairs daily *Medical Updates & Immunization Site Training for All Providers with a Focus on Emergency Use Authorization of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for Children 5 through 11 Years of Age.*

Date & Time	Password
Attendee link – November 17 – 12 PM ET	YYkSGJGT848
Attendee link – November 18 – 12 PM ET	8ZGbRrha2f8
Attendee link – November 19 – 12 PM ET	PzpX4ZPnT63
Attendee link – November 22 – 5 PM ET	YKwPs6P85cH
Attendee link – November 23 – 5 PM ET	S4wspGuhN33
Attendee link – November 24 – 12 PM ET	iWpzpvHh667

CDC information on administration of COVID-19 vaccine to children

- [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)
- [Administration Overview for Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine | CDC](#) clinical education and training materials

Pediatric highlights include in Interim Clinical Considerations:

- [Children/adolescent](#)
- [Dosing and schedule](#)
- [Considerations for mRNA vaccines](#)
- [Management of Anaphylaxis at COVID-19 Vaccination Sites | CDC](#)

Clinical materials include:

- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine: 5 Through 11 Years of Age Standing Orders for Administering Vaccine \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine: 5 Through 11 Years of Age • Preparation and Administration Summary \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine: 5 Through 11 Years of Age • Storage and Handling Summary \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine: 5 Through 11 Years of Age • Beyond Use Date/Time \(BUD\) Tracking Labels for Vaccine During Freezer or Refrigerator Storage \(cdc.gov\)](#)
- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine Dosage Chart \(cdc.gov\)](#)

Moderna Order Quantities

CDC has discontinued distribution of Moderna 14 dose multi-dose vials and resumed distribution of Moderna 10 dose multi-dose vials. All Moderna product ordered after November 11, 2021, will now be 10 dose vials.

The ordering portal has been updated and will reflect the change to the tray size and the vial quantity.

Moderna: Wastage Reporting

Wastage should be calculated based on the number of people vaccinated. The information below is for a 10 dose vial, but the same logic holds for a 14 dose vial:

If 10 or fewer people are vaccinated:

- Calculate wastage as 10 minus the number of people vaccinated, regardless of whether the individuals were vaccinated with primary or booster doses.
- For instance, if 10 people are given booster doses, this would be considered 0 wastage.
- Similarly, if 5 people are given primary doses and 5 people are given booster doses, this is 0 wastage.

If 8 people are vaccinated, all with primary doses, this is 2 doses wasted. If 8 people are vaccinated, 4 with primary doses and 4 with booster doses, this is also 2 doses wasted.

If >10 people are vaccinated:

- Because the half dose booster allows for up to 20 doses to be drawn from a vial, you will need add in extra whole doses to increase your inventory on-hand to account for the extra doses administered. This will always be considered 0 wastage.



CT WiZ/VAMS Update

VAMS Appointment Reservations Window Revamp

Transition to CDC Vaccine Finder


Clinic Supports Available

Version 1.0
11/16/2021

What's New?

- VAMS appointment reservations window has been revamped
- Reservation Buckets – up to 3
 - Vaccine Type
 - Age Group
 - Free-for-All
- Reservation Percentages for each bucket
- Please review your clinic information!

[VAMS Clinic Appointment Reservations Guide](#)



Appointment reservations

- Step 1: Specify the reservation buckets (up to 3) to
 - allocate reservation percentages % for certain vaccine type and age group.
 - The remaining % gets allocated to 'free-for-all' bucket,
 - If selected TRUE the 'free-for-all' slots can be used by first-come-first-serve recipients.
 - If selected FALSE the 'free-for-all' slots will be blocked and no additional recipients will be able to schedule.
- Step 2: Define reservation percentages % for the buckets specified.

Step 1 : Specify reservation bucket

Reservation bucket	Vaccine type	Age group	Allow use of Free-for-All
Reservation Bucket 1	COVID-19 1st dose	ALL	✓
Reservation Bucket 2	COVID-19 2nd dose	ALL	✓
Reservation Bucket 3	COVID-19 Booster dose	ALL	✓

Step 2 : Define reservation percentage (%)

Tier	Duration of tier	% Reserved for buc...	% Reserved for buc...	% Reserved for buc...	% Free-for-All
1 Tier 3	Day 35 and onward	30	30	0	40
2 Tier 2b	Day 28 - 34	30	30	0	40
3 Tier 2a	Day 21 - 27	30	30	0	40
4 Tier 1	Day 1 - 20	20	20	0	60

Transition from CT Vaccine Finder to Vaccines.gov

- Ensure COVID-19 vaccination clinics are registered through VaccineFinder (Required)
- Report daily inventory counts to VaccineFinder for each COVID-19 vaccination clinic (Required)
- Make your clinics visible on Vaccines.gov (Optional)
- For support, email
CARS_HelpDesk@cdc.gov



VAMS Training for Clinic Users Webpage



The screenshot shows the VAMS Training for Clinic Users webpage. The header features the Connecticut State Department of Public Health logo and a background image of a smiling child. A breadcrumb trail indicates the path: CT.gov Home / Department of Public Health / VAMS Training for Clinic Users. On the left, a dark sidebar lists various immunization topics with right-pointing chevrons. The main content area is titled 'VAMS Training for Clinic Users' and includes an introductory paragraph, a bulleted list of resources, a 'Quick Links' section, a 'VAMS Registration and Account Activation' box, and a 'Latest News' section with a bulleted update.

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VAMS Training for Clinic Users


This page contains the following information to support VAMS clinic users. For individuals searching for information or an appointment, click [here](#).

- Compatible browsers- Chrome, Microsoft Edge, Mozilla Firefox, and Safari.
- The latest VAMS news
- VAMS system enhancements
- User Quick Tips
- Forms, Desk Guides, Training Materials and other resources for each type of user in VAMS
- Training opportunities for VAMS users

Quick Links [COVID-19 Vaccine Providers](#) [VAMS Login](#) [CT WiZ Training](#)

VAMS Registration and Account Activation Visit the [COVID-19 Vaccinations VAMS Support website](#) for information on VAMS registration and account activation.

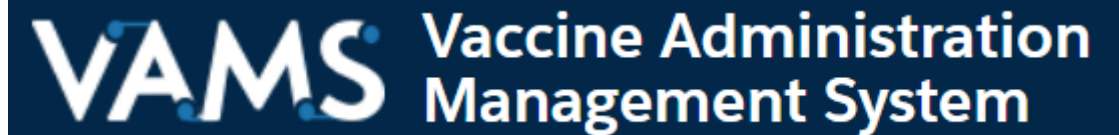
Latest News

- Transition VAMS clinics to CT WiZ- If your clinic is using VAMS and wants to transition to CT WiZ to document vaccinations, [submit a helpdesk ticket](#) with your PIN and expected date of transition. A meeting will be scheduled to review the process and expectations.
 - [Transition Business Process](#) 
 - [Transition Presentation](#) 

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



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

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