



TOWN OF HOPKINTON
18 Main Street
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COVID-19 Updates & Precautions **February 25, 2021 update**

Previous updates and additional information and resources can be found here:
<https://coronavirus-hopkintonma.hub.arcgis.com/>

As of 2/23/21, Hopkinton's Health Department is reporting 726 total confirmed COVID-19 cases; 14 of those cases are active, with 695 recoveries and 17 deaths. You can see historical tracking and updates on [Hopkinton's Community Impact Dashboard](#) which is updated frequently.

Massachusetts Department of Public Health COVID-19 weekly Public Health Report - NEW UPDATE

The Weekly COVID-19 Public Health Report includes enhanced, more granular information to be updated on a weekly, or biweekly basis, including town-by-town case and testing information, cases and deaths in Long Term Care Facilities, updates on nursing facility audit results, and more.

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/weekly-covid-19-public-health-report-february-25-2021/download>

Massachusetts Department of Public Health Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Report - NEW UPDATE

The Weekly COVID-19 Vaccination Report includes the most currently available information on vaccines shipped and administered, as well as more granular information by geography, demographic factors, and more.

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/weekly-covid-19-vaccination-report-february-25-2021/download>

Future Vaccine Distribution - REMINDER

On Wednesday (2/18/21), Local Boards of Health were informed of the Commonwealth's streamlined vaccination distribution plan that prioritizes equity and high-capacity throughput vaccination, particularly as vaccine supply from the federal government remains extremely constrained.

This streamlined distribution plan will increase vaccine access at high throughput vaccination locations such as mass vaccination sites or regional sites and at pharmacy sites. In addition to increasing efficiency in administering the vaccine, the Commonwealth will ensure that the program is equitable and meets the needs of communities that have been the most disproportionately impacted by COVID-19.

For these reasons, Hopkinton is encouraging residents to utilize the <https://vaxfinder.mass.gov> portal to find vaccination sites and make appointments. We currently have no indication Hopkinton will receive another (new) batch of vaccines for a local clinic. **If you were vaccinated recently at the Hopkinton Senior Center, and already have an appointment for your second vaccination - that second appointment is valid!

A reminder that vaccine supply remains very limited. Massachusetts is currently vaccinating:

- [People in Phase 1](#)
- [People with 2+ certain medical conditions](#)
- [Low income and affordable senior housing residents & staff](#)
- People age 65+

You can use this site to confirm your eligibility: <https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-vaccine>

Hopkinton Public Schools:

The Hopkinton Public Schools have established a Reopening Planning Team, whose work, focused on fully reopening the schools for hybrid learners, will be reported to the School Committee in early March.

Library Walk-In Hours Expanded:

As COVID-19 case rates decline, the library is pleased to announce an expansion of our walk-in hours. As of Monday, February 22, the library building is open to the public at the following times:

- Monday: 10 am-4 pm
- Tuesday 1-7 pm
- Wednesday 10 am-12:30 pm
- Thursday 1-7 pm
- Friday 10 am-4 pm

The library building will be open for quick browsing and checkouts only; computers, study rooms, meeting rooms, seating, and public bathrooms will remain unavailable for the time being.

Curbside pickup hours are: 10-4:30 Monday/Wednesday/Friday, and 10-7 Tuesday/Thursday.

How can Hopkinton Youth & Family Services support you during these times?

Is there a resource you seek? Wishing you had someone to listen? Struggling with a problem that could use professional support? Send us your questions here: <https://forms.gle/PiX8Vxow4r7AQtpPA>. You can remain anonymous and we will answer your question on one of the next covid update pages. Or you can share with us your contact information and we will reach out to you to provide direct assistance. Or you can always call us at 508- 497-9781. Be sure to leave a message and we will return your call.

NEW QUESTION:

Q. I had Coronavirus a few months ago and now I am worried all the time about the future and my health. I haven't been sleeping well and have been snapping at my family. Are there any support groups for people who have had Covid19?

- A. Yes, We are so glad you asked! [Mass Support](#) is a free resource that hosts coping groups for many issues related to the pandemic. They run specific groups for those who have had Coronavirus and frequently announce those groups on their facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/masssupport.org>. Be sure to check out their Town Hall tonight (if you register you can get the recording if unable to attend): [The Season of Change – Coping During COVID](#) For more information about how MassSupport can help you can email them at MassSupport@riversidecc.org
Also, we are happy to offer support and talk about other options that may be of help to you. You can reach out to us at 508-497-9781.

Hopkinton Town Hall reopened to the public as of Monday August 10th. Appointments are required due to the state's COVID-19 limits on building occupancy: [click here for more information](#). All town departments are open for business and many transactions can be completed online. We are available via phone and email to assist during regular business hours. A full Town Directory can be [found here](#). A box at the front door of Town Hall may be used to drop off correspondence, applications, etc., and they may also be mailed or emailed.

The Hopkinton Public Library is currently open for walk-in use from 10 am-4 pm Mondays, 1-7 pm Tuesdays, 10 am-12:30 pm Wednesdays, 1-7 pm Thursdays, and 10 am-4 pm Fridays. Curbside pickup of library materials is available from 10 am-4:30 pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, and from 10 am-7 pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please remember to practice social distancing, wear a face covering, wash your hands often, and be safe.

Hopkinton also posts frequently on social media. Our Twitter is the best place to keep up with all happenings Hopkinton. You don't need an account to see our twitter feed:

<https://twitter.com/HopkintonMA>

Complete list of Emergency Orders and Guidance from Mass.gov

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-state-of-emergency>