

Town of Middlebury
Emergency Management Bulletin
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Governor Phil Scott and State Officials Announce the Vermont Forward Plan

Governor Phil Scott and other officials today [outlined the State's stepped plan](#) to methodically and safely ease mitigation measures as more Vermonters are vaccinated. The roadmap – which is subject to change based on real time circumstances - offers Vermonters, municipalities, non-profits, and businesses the ability to plan with greater certainty for the months ahead.

“We’re in the last laps of this race and this plan shows how we can finish strong if we all do our part,” said Governor Scott. “We need Vermonters to look at this roadmap and recommit to following the guidance so we can finish this pandemic with the fewest lives lost; with our kids back in school before the school year ends; and take every one of the steps forward on the timeline. I’m personally asking all of you to do your part. Please, we need your help today as much as we did last year at this time.”

The Vermont Forward Plan uses vaccination rates as the key milestones for transitioning Vermont businesses to more general, universal guidance to prevent the spread of COVID-19; modifying travel guidance; and when gathering size can increase between now and July 4.

Vaccine Appointments Now Open to Vermonters Age 40 and Older

By mid-afternoon Monday, more than 15,000 Vermonters age 40 and older had made appointments for the COVID-19 vaccine through the state registration system, the first day appointments opened to this age group.

You can still make an appointment by visiting healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine. There are enough slots at sites throughout Vermont for everyone who is eligible. You can check back for an appointment that may be sooner or more convenient for you, but if you do make a new one, be sure to cancel your original appointment so it will be available for someone else.

Going online to healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine is the fastest way to make an appointment, and there are enough slots at sites throughout Vermont for everyone who is eligible. Click on the “Make an appointment” button to use the Health Department registration system. If you prefer to make your COVID-19 vaccine appointment through a participating pharmacy, you can find links on the same page to Kinney Drugs, CVS and Walgreens.

Anyone who is unable to make their appointment online, or who needs to speak with someone in a language other than English can call 855-722-7878.

Vaccination sites are available around the state, and people can choose a nearby location when making their appointment.

More than 40% of Vermonters 16 and older have now received at least one dose of vaccine, and we get closer to the “finish line” every day.

If you’re not eligible yet, your turn is coming soon! Vermonters age 30 and older will be able to make an appointment on April 12, and Vermonters age 16 and older, on April 19.

Share What Getting Vaccinated Means to You for a Chance to Win \$500!

The COVID-19 vaccine means something different to each and every one of us. Something we all have in common? Vaccines mean getting back to life and the things we miss.

Help us show why getting vaccinated is important! Submit your original videos, photos or written thoughts on what being vaccinated means to you — whether you’ve already been vaccinated or not. Select submissions will be featured in our new TV ad campaign and one lucky submitter will be picked at random to receive a \$500 cash card.

For more details, and to submit content, visit healthvermont.gov/VaccineContest.

Middlebury College and White River Junction VA Healthcare System Partner for a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Saturday, April 10

The White River Junction Veterans Affairs (VA) Healthcare System and Middlebury College are partnering in the COVID-19 vaccine rollout. On April 10, the White River Junction VA will administer the Janssen (Johnson and Johnson) COVID-19 vaccine at the Middlebury College Athletics Complex on South Main Street. This clinic is just for Veterans and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) employees by scheduled appointment only.

Earlier today, the College was informed that the clinic will now be open to spouses and caregivers of veterans. These individuals do not need to be enrolled in VA care to get the vaccine.

Veterans, spouses and caregivers can register by calling 802-296-5151. An appointment is required.

Additional information about the clinic is available at this link: [Middlebury College and White River Junction Healthcare System Partner for a COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic April 10](#)