



CITY OF SHREWSBURY

TO: SHREWSBURY COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: TRUSTED RESOURCES IN THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19

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Our country continues to struggle with the COVID-19 pandemic, and our region is facing rising infection rates from the Delta variant of the virus. With kids returning to school and many Shrewsbury area offices, stores, and other public settings open, there are ways we can work together to ensure our families, friends, and neighbors are safe and healthy.

Vaccinations are one way to protect yourself, and those around you, from the effects of COVID-19. Since doses first became available last winter, more than **66% of eligible St. Louis County residents** have chosen to be vaccinated. You can keep up with the current vaccination rates nationally, and by state and county, at <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view>.

If you choose to be vaccinated, doses are free and currently available to everyone **ages 12 and up**. Missouri has a website to help you find a COVID-19 vaccination site <https://covidvaccine.mo.gov/find/#events/>. In the Shrewsbury area, you can receive a vaccination at most local health clinics, or across the region at many Walgreens, CVS, Walmart, and Target locations.

If you have questions about whether a vaccine is right for you or your child, **your doctor can help you make an informed and healthy choice**. Your physician, or your child's pediatrician, may also have vaccines available at their office.

Symptoms of COVID-19 include fever, cough, fatigue, body aches, headaches, loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, and nausea. If you suspect you may have COVID-19, or were exposed to someone who tested positive, protect others by isolating and taking a COVID test. Many area retail pharmacies offer fast testing, and some are available at no cost.

Together, we can keep our Shrewsbury community safe and healthy during this difficult time.