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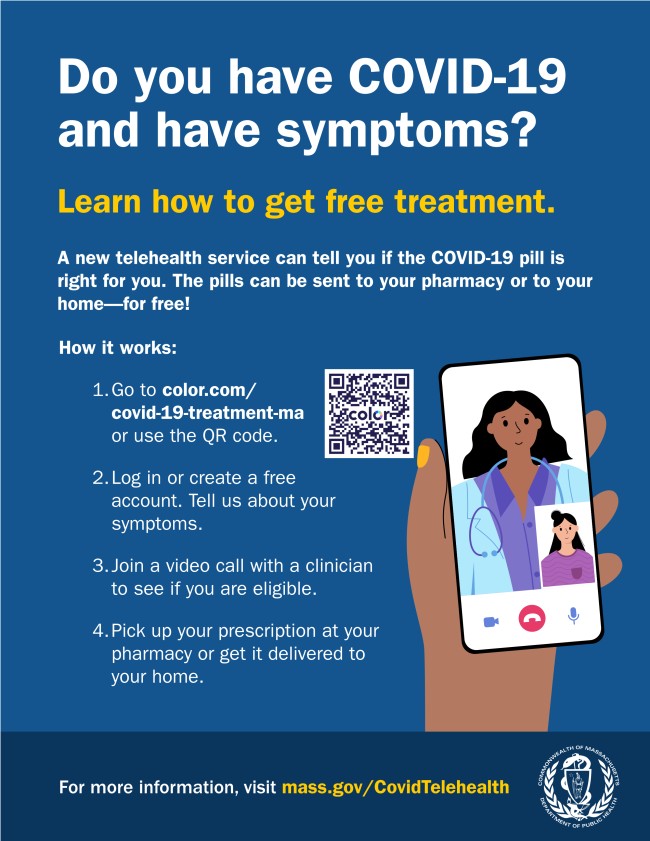
Here are the latest resources for promoting COVID-19 vaccination to share with your colleagues

and networks across Massachusetts. If you received this from a colleague, [**subscribe today**](https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/su/9wFTcRU/VEIWeeklyRoundup?source_id=6eb59e15-49ee-48c6-813f-feeaf2ef6835&source_type=em&c)**.**

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**What's New**

# FREE TELEHEALTH FOR COVID-19 TREATMENT — NOW WITH OPTION FOR PHONE CONSULTATION



[**Free, safe, and effective treatments for COVID-19** are available across MA. The](https://www.mass.gov/get-treated-for-covid-19)y can help prevent hospitalizations and reduce the risk of severe disease.

Telehealth consultations are **now available via phone**, in addition to video, once you’ve requested a

consultation online. Consultations can be accessed in 10+ languages.

Several resources are available to help promote these treatments:

[**Telehealth flyer**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/free-telehealth-for-covid-19-treatment-with-paxlovid#covid-19-treatment-flyers-)(in multiple languages)

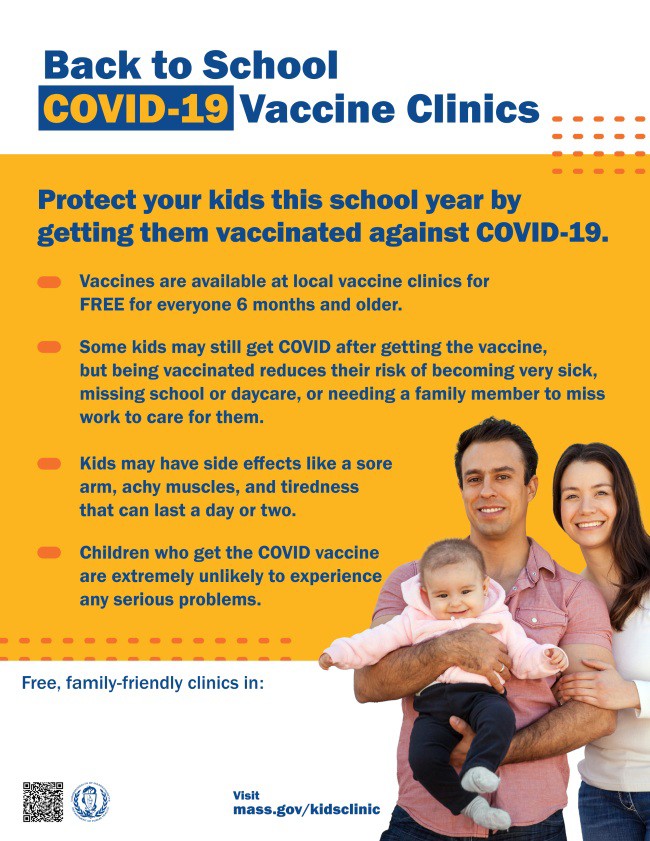
Shareable [**video**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/treatments-for-covid-19#sharable-video-)

[**Videos**](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL54knlBH64ADmljPmWxWuyryqGagaAe9U)with local physicians discussing treatment options (in English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole)

Learn more about [**how to access treatment,**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/treatments-for-covid-19#how-to-access-therapeutic-treatments-)including in-home options.

**Reminders**

# HAPPENING TUESDAY (SEPTEMBER 20) — VACCINE CONFIDENCE TRAINING



On **September 20**, DPH and several partners are offering an upcoming training to help you improve confidence in COVID-19 vaccines.

Led by Merck Northeast Regional Medical Director Dr. Kimberly Daly (DNP, APRN, FNP- C) and DPH Chief Medical Officer Dr. Estevan Garcia (MD, DrPH, MPA), the training will help

you improve your COVID-19 conversations with families with young children.

[**Register**](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIldOyvrjMqEtR2pPTUDlRisjM64f3NbPcD)and join the over 150 people who have signed up to attend!

The training is free, and all are welcome.

Please share! Flyers available

in [**English**](https://files.constantcontact.com/6b77156f801/365ba0ea-b882-4c70-91d7-6e33fa753502.pdf), [**Spanish**](https://files.constantcontact.com/6b77156f801/fe998f19-9a60-4ba4-8d95-acca1f71a3bc.pdf), and [**Portuguese**](https://files.constantcontact.com/6b77156f801/6e052e57-c750-4397-9d1e-6c05a73044bb.pdf).

*Above: Dr. Daly (top photo) and Dr. Garcia will lead a vaccine confidence training on Sept. 20.*

# VACCINATIONS CONTINUE FOR BACK TO SCHOOL

There's still time to add COVID-19 vaccination to your back-to-school checklist!

Being vaccinated reduces children's risk of becoming very sick, missing school or day care, or needing a family member to miss work to care for them. [**Learn more.**](https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-vaccine)

Throughout September, DPH is providing 170+ options for free COVID-19 vaccination clinics. [**Find a clinic near you.**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/prepare-for-back-to-school-with-free-covid-19-vaccination-clinics)

[Help spread the word with a **customizable flyer**! Click in the flyer's footer to add your](https://files.constantcontact.com/6b77156f801/4169b0ab-1c37-49c5-b1e8-79fa0357ab20.pdf) organization's logo or clinic details.

Other materials are also available:

[**Flyers**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/prepare-for-back-to-school-with-free-covid-19-vaccination-clinics#flyers-)(in 12 languages)

Graphics for [**Twitter**](https://twitter.com/MassDPH/status/1557756272883146757/photo/1)and [**Facebook**](https://files.constantcontact.com/6b77156f801/7198a387-c5a2-4d1c-a3ba-94bc4c47446c.jpg?rdr=true)[**Flyer**](https://files.constantcontact.com/6b77156f801/0f11e5b6-db32-4c84-9c47-05750072d353.pdf)for teachers and school staff

# UPDATED BOOSTERS NOW AVAILABLE IN MA

**OUTREACH AND EDUCATION MATERIALS**

[**COVID-19 Vaccine FAQs**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-frequently-asked-questions)

[**COVID-19 Therapeutic Information**](https://www.mass.gov/get-treated-for-covid-19)(including [**telehealth**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/free-telehealth-for-covid-19-treatment-with-paxlovid)) [**Weekly Provider Bulletin**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massachusetts-covid-19-vaccine-program-mcvp-guidance-for-vaccine-providers-and-organizations#weekly-provider-bulletins-)(latest edition published 9/15/22)

[**Trust the Facts, Get the Vax Campaign Materials**](https://www.mass.gov/resource/trust-the-facts-get-the-vax-campaign-materials)(organized by audience, including general, parents and pregnant people, youth, young adults; available in 12 languages)

**Key Resources**



Updated COVID-19 boosters were recently authorized by the FDA and recommended by the CDC for people ages 12 and older. They are now available in Massachusetts.

Visit [**vaxfinder.mass.gov**](http://vaxfinder.mass.gov/)to make an appointment. If your vaccine of choice is not available, check back as vaccine shipments continue to arrive.

# HIGH VACCINATION RATES IN MA HELPED PREVENT COVID DEATHS

As reported in the [***Boston Globe***](https://www.bostonglobe.com/2022/08/23/metro/high-levels-immunity-with-covid-19-vaccines-have-helped-avoid-excess-mortality-mass-study-says/), a recent [***Lancet***](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473-3099(22)00547-3/fulltext#%20)[**study**](https://www.thelancet.com/journals/laninf/article/PIIS1473-3099(22)00547-3/fulltext#%20)showed that Massachusetts’ levels of immunity due to high COVID-19 vaccination rates helped residents avoid deaths during two surges in the pandemic (late February–June in 2021 and 2022).

# COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR CHILDREN AGES 6 MONTHS AND OLDER

Several materials are available to help promote COVID-19 vaccination for children ages 6 months+:

[**Fact sheet**](https://massclearinghouse.ehs.state.ma.us/PROG-BID/CV27.html)(12 languages) DPH [**social media graphic**](https://twitter.com/MassDPH/status/1547612896984645632)[**FAQs**](https://www.mass.gov/lists/vei-flyer-frequently-asked-questions-about-the-covid-19-vaccine-for-children-6-months-to-5-years)and [**messages**](https://www.mass.gov/lists/vei-flyer-messages-about-covid-19-vaccination-for-children-6-months-to-5-years-old)(multiple languages)

[Short **video about vaccine safety and efficacy** (in English and Span](http://mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccinations-for-children-ages-6-months-to-4-years-old#videos-)ish)

[**Multilingual COVID-19 Materials**](https://www.mass.gov/resource/multilingual-covid-19-materials)(videos and printables; organized by language)

[**COVID-19 Funeral Assistance from FEMA**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-funeral-assistance)(including [**one-pager with key info**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-funeral-assistance#fema-funeral-assistance-website-%26-faq-)

available in multiple languages)

[**COVID-19 Vaccination Tools for Employers**](https://www.mass.gov/doc/covid-19-vaccination-tools-for-employers)

[**Archive of COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Updates**](https://www.mass.gov/lists/archive-of-covid-19-vaccine-communications-updates)(past editions of VEI Roundup)

**FIND A COVID-19 VACCINE OR BOOSTER**

[**Mass.gov/KidsClinic**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/prepare-for-back-to-school-with-free-covid-19-vaccination-clinics#clinic-schedule-)(family-friendly clinics through September)

[**Vaccine Finder**](https://vaxfinder.mass.gov/)

[**Find, Schedule, or Sign Up for a Mobile COVID-19 Vaccination**](https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-mobile-vaccinations)[**COVID-19 In-Home Vaccination Program**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-in-home-vaccination-program)

[**Request a Copy of Your Vaccine Card**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/requesting-a-copy-of-your-covid-19-vaccination-record)

**Recent Highlights**

**Malden**



[In recent months, **Chinese Culture Connection** (CCC) has hosted thre](https://www.chinesecultureconnection.org/)e vaccine clinics in partnership with VEI. In July, they offered two vaccine clinics to children and families who attended the Beebe School's summer program. About 100 people were vaccinated at these clinics, where attendees also enjoyed ice cream. In August, CCC hosted “Exploring Malden River,” where community members could learn about the river, enjoy Chinese music performances and Tai Chi, and join races and circus activities (*see photo*). Over 300 people attended the event, with 68 people getting vaccinated at an on-site mobile clinic.

## [Read More Highlights](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-equity-initiative-highlights)

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[**Visit the VEI Website**](https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccine-equity-initiative)

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