



# COVID-19 VACCINE BRIEFING REPORT

June 6, 2022

## Cook County's Community Transmission Level Heightened; Vaccines Remain Essential

On May 27, all of Cook County moved into the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) "high" category for community transmission. The Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) issued a [press release](#) to alert the public and reiterate messages about the importance of masking in indoor public spaces and staying up-to-date with vaccines.

Data indicate that COVID-19 cases may have peaked in suburban Cook, with case numbers no longer rising. Numbers of COVID-19 patients in the hospital are increasing, but they are still well below the historical highs of January. ICU bed availability in the region is just under 20%, consistent with numbers from the past several months. Vaccines continue to be effective: those who are not vaccinated experience much higher rates of hospitalization than those who are fully-vaccinated.

The CDC and U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently approved COVID-19 vaccine booster shots for children ages 5-11. Anyone age 5 and older may receive a booster shot five months after the second dose of their primary series. People aged 50 and older, people aged 12 and older who are immunocompromised, and people who received a primary or booster dose of Johnson & Johnson are encouraged to get a second booster of Pfizer or Moderna.

Vaccines remain critical for slowing the spread of COVID-19 and improved outcomes in individuals contract the virus. Cook County Health continues to offer broad access to COVID-19 testing and vaccines. To find out information about where to get a vaccine or when you should get a booster shot, visit [MyShotCookCounty.com](https://www.myshotcookcounty.com).

## Upcoming Vaccine Reviews

The FDA's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VBPAC) will be discussing efficacy and safety data for the Novavax COVID-19 vaccine on Tuesday, June 7.

The Novavax COVID-19 vaccine works similarly to other common vaccines, like the influenza vaccine, and contains a small part of the COVID-19 spike protein that creates an immune response. The vaccine cannot give a person COVID-19. Experts think the Novavax vaccine may be useful for individuals who have contraindications for mRNA vaccines or who would prefer a non-mRNA vaccine.

If the FDA approves the use of Novavax, it will then go to the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for review and approval. Novavax has already been authorized for use by The World Health Organization and European Medicines Agency.

VBPAC is slated to consider an update to the Moderna vaccine Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) to include the administration of the primary series to children and adolescents 6 years through 17 years of age on Tuesday, June 14. The next day, Wednesday, June 15, VBPAC will discuss amending the Pfizer and Moderna vaccine EUAs to include children as young as 6 months of age.

If the FDA approves the EUA changes, they would similarly be reviewed by the CDC in short order. The Biden administration announced that children ages 6 months through 4 years, who are currently ineligible to get vaccinated, may be able to get their first shot as soon as Tuesday, June 21.



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Cook County Health offers primary and booster shots for everyone age 5 and older at all of its vaccine locations and will begin offering shots for children as young as 6 months upon federal approval. CCDPH continues to work with health care partners to share information and plan for providing vaccinations and boosters for children under age 12. CCDPH hyperlocal events also offer all recommended vaccine doses.

## According to the Illinois Department of Public Health

As of June 3, 2022, 1,988,984 residents in CCDPH's jurisdiction (87%) have received at least one dose, including 1,513,712 individuals (66.2%) who have been fully vaccinated and 683,412 who have received a booster (45.1%).

## COVID-19 Case Counts

CCDPH continues to monitor cases closely in suburban Cook County. CCDPH is in regular contact with CDPH and IDPH to discuss cases and potential mitigation strategies should the trends indicate the need.

Please note, CCDPH's jurisdiction is currently experiencing "medium" COVID-19 transmission, based on the CDC Community Level Framework. However, CDC reports transmission data at the county level. Cook County as a whole, inclusive of Chicago, Evanston, Oak Park, Skokie and Stickney Township, is experiencing "high" transmission.

As of June 03, 2022:



This app is updated Monday through Friday. Data include all confirmed, probable, and potential re-infection cases under the jurisdiction of the Cook County Department of Public Health (excludes Chicago, Evanston, Oak Park, Skokie, and Stickney Township). All numbers are provisional and subject to change. Recent downward trends may be due to reporting delays rather than true decreases in case counts. This site is best viewed on a desktop device. If you encounter accessibility barriers, please email [covidappaccessibility@gmail.com](mailto:covidappaccessibility@gmail.com).

\*For information the CDC Community Level Framework, please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/community-levels.html>. Community levels by county are also updated weekly on CDC's COVID Data Tracker. Community levels calculated by CDC for Cook County may differ from community levels calculated by CCDPH for suburban Cook.



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## Total Shots Administered by Cook County Health (as 6/5/22)

Total Persons Vaccinated	First Dose	Second Dose	Booster (1 <sup>st</sup> )	Booster (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Total Doses
542,167	481,658	440,287	77,885	6,004	<b>1,005,834</b>

## Upcoming Pop-Up/Mobile Sites

Below is a list of mobile pop-up vaccination clinics scheduled for this week. The clinics listed as "Open" are clinics that can be accessed by anyone in the community, while those that are "closed" are in settings where only those residents, employees, or service recipients are eligible for vaccine. These closed sites are not open to the public and typically short term unless otherwise noted. This list includes sites operated by CCH and sites operated by CCDPH in partnership with others.

Date	Facility/Organization	Town	Open/Closed
6/6/2022	Moraine Valley Community College	Palos Hills	Open
6/7/2022	The Quinn Center	Maywood	open
6/7/2022	Rich Township Transition	Olympia Fields	open
6/8/2022	Elevate Care Niles	Niles	closed
06/08/2022	Arab American Family Services	Worth	open
6/8/2022	United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	open
6/9/2022	Plymouth Place Senior Living	LaGrange Park	closed
6/9/2022	Imperfect Foods	Northlake	closed
6/9/2022	Sunrise Senior Living of Schaumburg	Schaumburg	closed
6/9/2022	Libreria Christian Vida Nueva	Chicago	open
6/10/2022	First Baptist Church of Melrose Park	Melrose Park	open
6/11/2022	Rincon Family Services	Lyons	open
6/11/2022	United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	open
6/11/2022	Village of Franklin Park	Franklin Park	open
6/12/2022	New Beginnings Baptist Church	Ford Heights	open



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6/13/2022	Convent of the Holy Spirit	Northfield	closed
6/14/2022	Quinn Center	Maywood	open
6/14/2022	Rich Township Transition	Olympia Fields	open
6/14/2022	Imperfect Foods	Northlake	closed
6/15/2022	Symphony of Palos Park	Palos Park	closed
6/15/2022	United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	open
6/17/2022	First Baptist Church of Melrose Park	Melrose Park	open
6/18/2022	Quinn Center	Maywood	open
6/18/2022	Sauk Village	Sauk Village	open
6/18/2022	Life Church	Chicago Heights	open
6/19/2022	New Faith Baptist Church	Matteson	open
6/21/2022	Rich Township Transition	Olympia Fields	open
6/21/2022	Quinn Center	Maywood	open
6/22/2022	Erie Neighborhood House	Cicero	open
6/22/2022	United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	open
6/24/2022	Seniors assistance center	Norridge	open
6/25/2022	Erie Neighborhood House	Cicero	open
6/25/2022	United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	open
6/28/2022	Quinn Center	Maywood	open
6/29/2022	Plymouth Place Senior Living	LaGrange Park	closed
6/29/2022	United Christian Church	Country Club Hills	open

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