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RACINE COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE February 8, 2021

Confirmed COVID-19 cases

United States: 27,057,411 confirmed, 464,372 deaths

Wisconsin: 550,369 confirmed, 2,538,097 negative, 6,055 deaths

Central Racine County Health Department: 10,495 confirmed (+118 from last week), 1,592

probable (+29), 62,002 negative (+749), 195 deaths (+2)

City of Racine Health Department: 8,055 confirmed (+79 from last week), 990 probable (+3),

44,269 negative (+388), 107 deaths (+5)

Racine County total: 18,550 confirmed (+197 from last week), 2,582 probable (+32), 106,271

negative (+1,137), 302 deaths (+7)

Vaccination updates for the week of February 8:

- Currently those in Phase 1A (frontline health care workers, EMS, fire and police personnel) and residents ages 65+ are eligible for vaccinations. Vaccine supply remains limited in Wisconsin. As of Feb. 8, 2021, 19,488 COVID-19 vaccinations have been administered to Racine County residents.
- The federal government is slowly rolling out the <u>Federal Retail Pharmacy Program for COVID-19 Vaccination</u>, a collaboration between the federal government, states and territories, and 21 national pharmacy partners and independent pharmacy networks. The program aims to increase access to COVID-19 vaccine across the country and represents one component of the federal strategy to expand access to vaccines for the public.
- <u>Central Racine County Health Department:</u> This week CRCHD is receiving 30 percent of its requested vaccine. This means there will be limited vaccine appointments this week.
 - To receive emails with the latest vaccine information, including a link to appointments when they become available, visit https://crchd.com/covid-19-vaccine and click the "Vaccine Updates Email Sign Up" button.
 - CRCHD does not yet have the ability to make appointments by phone but is working on this. Please do not call CRCHD for appointments at this time.

• City of Racine Public Health Department:

- Vaccine allocations continue to be minimal. The City of Racine Public Health Department was able to offer a limited number of first dose appointments this week, in addition to continuing to provide the 2nd dose to prior clients.
- All individuals looking for vaccine updates, including upcoming clinics, should visit https://www.racinecoronavirus.org/racine-covid-19-vaccine/.
- Health care providers are helping vaccinate those in Phase 1A. For residents ages 65+ who have a local doctor, your local healthcare provider will be reaching out to you. Most

health care providers are asking their patients to please <u>not</u> call hospitals or their doctor's office to try and schedule a vaccine appointment. You can visit your provider's website for more instructions.

- Ascension
- Advocate Aurora Health
- Froedtert
- ProHealth Care
- Local pharmacies are either gearing up to vaccinate or have begun vaccinating.
 - Good Value Pharmacy: https://goodvaluerx.com/retail/vaccinations/
 - Lakeview Pharmacy of Racine: https://lakeviewpharmacy.com/
 - Walmart Pharmacies: <u>Administering COVID-19 Vaccines (walmart.com)</u>
 - o Pick 'n Save Pharmacies: https://www.kroger.com/i/coronavirus-update/vaccine
- Wisconsin Department of Health Services vaccine information: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine.htm

Testing updates:

- The Wisconsin National Guard is conducting drive-thru COVID-19 testing sites in Racine County at the following locations:
 - Wednesdays through March 10, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Racine County Fairgrounds, 19805 Durand Ave., Union Grove. Vehicles should enter the fairgrounds from Main Street.
 - Thursdays through March 4, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Festival Hall, 5 Fifth St., Racine.
 Vehicles should enter at 11th Street and Main Street.
 - Anyone being tested is strongly encouraged to pre-register by visiting https://register.covidconnect.wi.gov.
- Health care providers including Ascension, Froedtert and Aurora continue to provide COVID-19 tests by appointment. For more information:
 - Ascension: (833) 981-0711 or choose.ascension.org/onlinecare.
 - Advocate Aurora: (866) 443-2584 or www.advocateaurorahealth.org/coronavirusdisease-2019
 - o Froedtert: (414) 805-2000 or www.froedtert.com/telehealth

Resources

For Racine County updates on the COVID-19 outbreak, please visit www.racinecounty.com/coronavirus. The City of Racine coronavirus webpage can be found at www.racinecoronavirus.org. The Central Racine County Health Department's COVID-19 page is www.crchd.com/covid-19.

For national information on COVID-19, please go to the Centers for Disease Control's website: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus.

You can also find current information on the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website, which has guidance that is updated regularly for travel, self-quarantine, and school districts, among other important information: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/disease/covid-19.htm.