



TOWNSHIP of HOLMDEL

COVID-19 Update
January 8, 2021

Message from Mayor Buontempo:

Good evening and Happy New Year. This is Mayor Greg Buontempo.

Holmdel Township has **50 new COVID-19 cases since the beginning of January**. As of today, the Township has a cumulative total of **831 positive COVID-19 cases**. New Jersey's rate of transmission is 0.96.

I have three updates for you tonight.

First, the state has launched its COVID-19 vaccination pre-registration portal. You can access this portal by visiting <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>.

As of today, individuals in vaccine distribution **Category 1A** are eligible to receive a vaccine. Individuals in the following fields qualify for **Category 1A**:

- licensed healthcare professionals like doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and dentists
- staff like receptionists, janitors, mortuary services, laboratory technicians
- consultants, per diem, and contractors who are not directly employed by the facility
- unpaid workers like health professional students, trainees, volunteers, and essential caregivers
- community health workers, doulas, and public health professionals like Medical Reserve Corps
- personnel with variable venues like EMS, paramedics, funeral staff, and autopsy workers
- other paid or unpaid people who work in a healthcare setting, who may have direct or indirect contact with infectious persons or materials, and who cannot work from home
- police officers (as of January 7, 2021)
- firefighters (as of January 7, 2021)

Second, I'm pleased to announce that we will be hosting a second COVID-19 mobile test site on **January 22nd from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm** at the Holmdel Swim Club. Tests are limited and pre-registration is **REQUIRED**. Visit holmdeltownship.com/covidtest to register for an appointment.

Third, several residents have inquired as to the location of COVID-19 "hot spots". While medical privacy prevents this information from being publicly available, I can

reiterate that the best strategy to avoid COVID-19 is to limit gatherings, wear a mask and follow CDC guidance.

Thank you for all you do to help move ***Holmdel Forward***. And as always, stay healthy and stay safe. Goodnight.