

COVID-19 Update

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Talbot County and FEMA Host COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic at Easton's Elks Lodge May 11-16

The Talbot County Health Department in coordination with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is hosting a COVID-19 vaccination clinic May 11-14 and May 16 at the Easton Elks Lodge #1622 for individuals aged 18 and older.

Appointments for the Johnson and Johnson (J&J) one-dose vaccine can be made at marylandvax.org, the below links, or with assistance by calling the Health Department's vaccination helpline at 410-819-5641. The helpline is operated Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Gov. Larry Hogan and FEMA announced March 29 that these mobile clinics are part of the nation's first federal mobile COVID-19 vaccination units launching in the State of Maryland.

"We are excited to again offer the one-dose Johnson and Johnson vaccine to our community," Dr. Maria Maguire, Talbot County Health Officer says. "After a thorough review, the Centers for Disease Control and the Food and Drug Administration determined that the J&J vaccine is safe and effective in preventing COVID-19. The brief pause on the use of the J&J vaccine was proof that the surveillance systems to monitor the safety of vaccines are in place and working," she continues.

"This vaccine is a great option for many people -- one dose and you're done! And it's never been easier to get the COVID-19 vaccine -- you can make an appointment in advance, or stop by when it's convenient for you," Dr. Maria Maguire says as she encourages the public to share this information with individuals and groups who haven't been vaccinated.

Though everyone 16 years and older is now eligible to be vaccinated, these specific clinics are open to people age 18 years and above because that is the minimum age the Johnson and Johnson vaccine can be given per its FDA authorization. 16- and 17-year-olds interested in getting vaccinated require the Pfizer vaccine, which is available through the [University of Maryland Shore Regional Health](#) and the [state-run mass vaccine clinic](#) in Salisbury.

Easton Elks Lodge #1622 is located at 502 Dutchmans Lane in Easton, Md. Appointments are suggested but not required. Walk-ins are welcome. Vaccinations available on a first-come, first-served basis. The mobile units are designed to provide a minimum of 150 doses per day. Hours will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, May 11- Friday, May, 14 and Sunday May 16.

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Registration links for FEMA Vaccine Clinics at the Easton Elks Lodge are as follows:

Tuesday, May 11, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: <https://bit.ly/3ttUBCW>

Wednesday, May 12, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: <https://bit.ly/2R1BbZ5>

Thursday, May 13, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: <https://bit.ly/3bcBZRE>

Friday, May 14, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: <https://bit.ly/3usNhZz>

Sunday, May 16, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.: <https://bit.ly/3xW9kKD>

More information and resources about Talbot County's response to COVID-19 is at talbotcovid19.org and talbothealth.org.

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Where to Find More Information

- **CDC COVID-2019 Website:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>
- **Talbot County COVID-19 Information** www.talbotcovid19.org
- **Shore Regional Health COVID Information** <https://www.umms.org/shore/patients-visitors/coronavirus>
- **Maryland Department of Health Website:** <https://health.maryland.gov/pages/home.aspx>
- **Talbot County Health Department Website:** <https://health.maryland.gov/talbotcounty/Pages/home.aspx>
- **Maryland COVID-19 Website:** <https://governor.maryland.gov/coronavirus>