







## **Information Update**

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# Community Vaccination Center CVC: Starts Next Week at the old Gander Mountain location

A **Community Vaccination Center,** or **CVC,** is a large-scale vaccination clinic that can vaccinate hundreds to thousands of people a day. CVCs were an initiative planned from the beginning of the COVID-19 crisis to support communities when more vaccines were available.

Beginning next week, a CVC will serve as another clinic to get vaccines into arms in the Prince William Health District. The location is **Gander Mountain**, <u>14011 Worth Avenue</u>, Woodbridge, VA 22192.

According to the Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM), health departments and localities have been responding to the pandemic for a year, and a planning assumption was that once vaccinations were more readily available, health departments would be stretched very thin. VDEM officials say CVC sites are intended to assist the amazing work health departments, pharmacies, healthcare providers, and healthcare facilities across the state have been doing over the past few months to get vaccines into arms.

Organized by VDEM, the CVCs are standing up throughout the state in communities with the largest vulnerable populations and populations with higher rates of COVID-19 illnesses and death. According to VDEM, these sites were further evaluated to ensure health equity.









Presently, all these sites require vaccination appointments. Individuals who preregistered for the vaccine and are eligible under the health districts and states current phases for distribution will be contacted to make an appointment to receive their vaccine doses.

Those vaccinated at the CVC will come from the State's pre-registration list. If you are not pre-registered, now is the time to get registered. To register, go to: <a href="VACCINATE.VIRGINIA.GOV">VACCINATE.VIRGINIA.GOV</a> or **call 1-877-VAX-IN-VA**. Please update your registration record if your status has changed. Even if you have already been vaccinated, it is important to update your Vaccinate Virginia pre-registration record with your correct first name, last name, and date of birth. This will ensure that you will be automatically removed from the waitlist once you have been vaccinated. Do not hesitate to sign up today even if you are uncertain if you want the vaccine. It will not obligate you to get vaccinated when it is your turn.

Below are some helpful hints for the public who are scheduled to visit one of these sites:

- Arrive no earlier than 20 minutes before your appointment time. You will not be allowed in early to receive your vaccine.
- No walk-ins will be accepted at this time. Please pre-register to be contacted for an appointment.
- Bring a copy of your invitation (email, text, QR code) and proof of your name when you arrive at the site.

These community vaccination centers will not replace other local, small-scale efforts to deliver COVID-19. These sites are State-managed and made possible thanks to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding that was granted to Virginia for the State's continued response to COVID-19. The sites were selected after VDEM conducted an equity analysis to determine the communities with the largest number of vulnerable populations and communities that were most impacted by COVID-19.

### PHASE 1a and Phase 1b Now Open In PWHD:

In PWHD, Phase 1b pre-registered persons in tiers 1-11 are now eligible to be vaccinated. Those in Phase 1b tiers include:









- (1) Police, Fire, and Hazmat Workers
- (2) Corrections and homeless shelter workers
- (3) Childcare/Pre-k-12 Teachers/Staff
- (4) Food and Agriculture workers
- (5) Those who work in Manufacturing
- (6) Those who work at Grocery Stores
- (7) Public transit workers
- (8) Mail carriers (USPS and private)
- (9) Officials needed to maintain continuity of government
- (10) Clergy/Faith Leaders
- (11) Janitorial/ Cleaning Staff

Additionally, persons aged 65 years and older, people living in Correctional Facilities, Homeless Shelters, and Migrant Labor Camps, and people aged 16-64 with a High-Risk Medical Condition or Disability are eligible for vaccinations.

### More information:

- PWHD website: vdh.virgina.gov/prince-william
- PWHD Specific FAQs: <a href="https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/prince-william/frequently-asked-questions/">https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/prince-william/frequently-asked-questions/</a>
- Vaccination Virginia Pre-Registration FAQs: https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/covid-19-faq/vaccination/