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**Subject:** New Augusta Armory COVID-19 testing site, plus the new Armory Vaccination Site Schedule to please post & share with your networks

Hi all -- I just received the schedule for the **new COVID-19 drive-up testing at the Augusta Armory that starts Monday**, so am sending what I know so far **along with the new Augusta Armory vaccination site schedule for this coming week – please post and share as widely as possible.**

**New Testing Drive-Through COVID-19 Testing Site at Augusta Armory on Monday and Wednesday from 9am-3pm**



The National Guard has been asked to help stand up a **new drive-through testing site at the Augusta Armory that starts this week on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9am-3pm.**

**Registration and appointments are necessary through [More info](#) (use Agency Code: AugustaComm) or by calling 1-888-445-4111.**

People with no access to email are able to make other arrangements by phone through the call center at 1-888-445-4111.

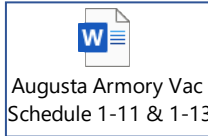
This new site will use the Shield T3 PCR test that the University of Maine currently uses. Results are expected in 24-48 hours. (company's website: <https://www.shieldt3.com/> )

It's a saliva-based test (instead of a swab), so please follow the instructions (copied in the box here) to not eat, drink, smoke/vape, chew gum, use lipstick/gloss/chapstick, or use mouthwash 60 minutes prior to your testing appointment.

<h2>Getting a COVID test? Here's what you need to know...</h2>		 <p>Maine Center for Disease Control &amp; Prevention</p>	<p>Like with the Armory vaccination site, we'll be updating the schedule weekly depending on demand, Armory availability, and staffing.</p> <p><b>For other testing sites statewide, and info on the types of testing available, see <a href="http://www.maine.gov/covid19/testing">www.maine.gov/covid19/testing</a></b></p>
<p><b>BEFORE YOUR APPOINTMENT</b></p> <p>Open your smartphone camera, hover over the QR code &amp; go to the link, OR go to <a href="http://shieldt3portal.pointnclick.com">shieldt3portal.pointnclick.com</a></p>  <p>• <b>Click On:</b> Sign up for an account</p> <p>• <b>Use Agency Code:</b> AugustaComm</p> <p>• <b>Create An Account:</b> This will be how you receive your test results</p> <p>• <b>Book Your Appointment</b></p> <p>• <b>Need assistance?</b> Call 1-888-445-4111</p>	<p><b>PREP/DURING YOUR APPOINTMENT</b></p> <p><b>60 minutes prior to your appointment, DO NOT:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• eat</li><li>• drink (including water)</li><li>• smoke or vape</li><li>• chew gum</li><li>• use lipstick, lip gloss, or Chapstick</li><li>• brush your teeth</li><li>• use mouthwash</li></ul> <p><b>At the time of your appointment, DO:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proceed through the drive-through line</li><li>• Provide saliva per instructions</li><li>• Provide your sample to the test administrator</li></ul>	<p><b>AFTER YOUR APPOINTMENT</b></p> <p><b>What to expect:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Test results will be available within 24-48 hours</li><li>• You will receive an email with your test results when they are available. <i>The email will be sent to the address provided when you registered for your appointment.</i></li><li>• <b>Reminder:</b> If you have symptoms of COVID-19, stay home &amp; mask around others.</li></ul>	

## Updated Schedule for Augusta Armory Vaccination Site – Please Post and Share With Your Networks!

The Augusta Armory COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic schedule for this week is attached -- Tuesday from 9am–4pm and Thursday from noon–7pm; with all vaccine types (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J) and doing first, second, booster, and pediatric doses. We'll be updating the schedule weekly depending on demand, Armory availability, and staffing.

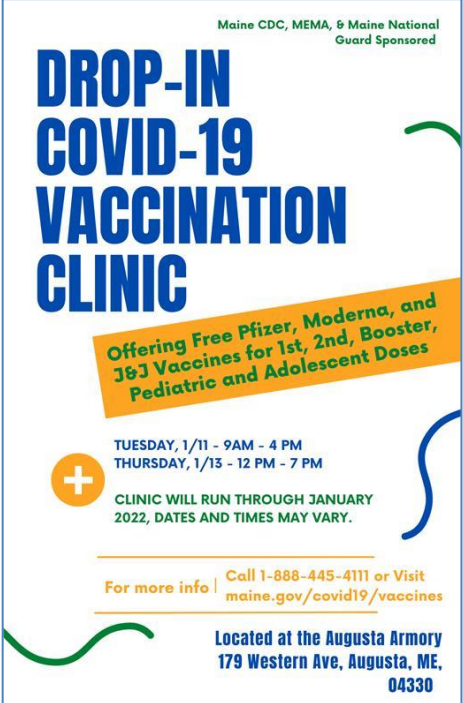


All COVID-19 vaccines will be available and no registration or appointment is required. Waits last week averaged about 20 minutes, including the 15 minute after-vaccination observation time.

Please post and share with your networks and anyone you know that hasn't been able to get vaccinated. I'll send schedule updates for the next weeks as they are available, and the hours will also be available on the website:

[Vaccination Sites | Covid-19 - Maine.gov](#)

and through calling the **Maine COVID-19 Community Vaccination Line at [1-888-445-4111](tel:1-888-445-4111)**.



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# DROP-IN COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

Offering Free Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J Vaccines for 1st, 2nd, Booster, Pediatric and Adolescent Doses

TUESDAY, 1/11 - 9AM - 4 PM  
THURSDAY, 1/13 - 12 PM - 7 PM

CLINIC WILL RUN THROUGH JANUARY 2022, DATES AND TIMES MAY VARY.

For more info | Call 1-888-445-4111 or Visit [maine.gov/covid19/vaccines](https://maine.gov/covid19/vaccines)

Located at the Augusta Armory  
179 Western Ave, Augusta, ME, 04330

## Still Looking for Clinical and Non-Clinical Volunteers

We've added positions and time slots for volunteers in both clinical and non-clinical roles to try and keep up with the demand. If you are able to volunteer, please register at Maine Responds: [Register Now](#), or sign up for a specific day/time slot at [SIGN UP HERE](#).

## Would You Like to Host a Clinic at Your Site?

Looking to bring a pop-up vaccination clinic to your area? Resources are tight, but if you need it, we will try and provide it -- any community partner (school, employer, religious organization, community group, business, town, etc.) can organize a pop-up clinic and bring vaccinations to your site. Fill out the application to get started: [Pop-up Clinic Application](#), or let me know if you have questions.

## Vaccination and COVID-19 Questions Quick Links with the Latest Updates

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about Covid-19 vaccines:

<https://www.maine.gov/covid19/vaccines/public-faq>

Video message from Director Shah on pediatric Covid-19

vaccine: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1M6K0VK2jV4>

Dr. Shah COVID-19 Media Briefing Wednesday at 2pm: Live at <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/cdc-livestream>, recorded

at [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLct9cyepwHHpp1xW7\\_POI0g8vnKzAF5Ae](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLct9cyepwHHpp1xW7_POI0g8vnKzAF5Ae)

Maine CDC COVID-19 FAQs: <https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/documents/frequently-asked-questions.pdf>

[Coronavirus Disease 2019 Testing Basics](#) from the FDA

**General COVID-19 questions** go to 211 Maine:

dial 211 (or [1-866-811-5695](tel:1-866-811-5695)), text your ZIP code to 898-211, or email [info@211maine.org](mailto:info@211maine.org)

**Transportation assistance:** (rides must be requested at least 48 hours in advance)

MaineCare call 1-844-736-7847 (Penquis CAP) -- Non-MaineCare call 1-855-608-5172 (ModivCare)

**Assistance for Seniors and Disabled Adults:** Spectrum Generations, 1-800-639-1553

**Translations:** <https://www.ccmaine.org/share-facts-about-covid-19>, <https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/epi/airborne/coronavirus/general-information.shtml#resources>

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**Thank you for your continued help in getting information out and for all you are doing to keep people safe!**

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