## Vaccine update

## Somerset Co Press release

[Somerset County, New Jersey]

Everyone Who Received 1st COVID Vaccine Dose at RVCC Will Be Notified of 2nd Dose Appointment by Email Everyone Who Received 1st COVID Vaccine Dose at RVCC Will Be Notified of 2nd Dose Appointment by Email All Future 1st Dose Vaccinees at Somerset County COVID Vaccination Clinics Will Be Scheduled Through the NJ COVID System and Automatically Be Scheduled for Their Second Dose Somerset County announced today that anyone who was vaccinated at its Raritan Valley Community College site will be notified via email of their second dose appointment regardless of the system they used to register.

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SOMERVILLE – Somerset County announced today that anyone who was vaccinated at its Raritan Valley Community College site will be notified via email of their second dose appointment regardless of the system they used to register. All second dose appointments for people who have received their first dose as of this week will be provided at Raritan Valley Community College.

"We understand the frustration a lot of people have had with scheduling their second dose of the COVID vaccine, and we've worked with the state of New Jersey to ensure these appointments are now provided automatically," said Commissioner Doug Singleterry, liaison to Public Health and Safety. "Somerset County is committed to ensuring every resident who wants to be vaccinated gets vaccinated, and we will continue to administer every dose we receive as quickly as possible. All we ask is everyone's patience as we wait for the quantity of vaccine to increase."

All future first dose appointments at Somerset County COVID vaccination clinics will be scheduled through the state portal at <a href="https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/">https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/</a>, and second dose appointments will be automatically provided following the first. Only residents who are currently eligible to receive a vaccine can schedule appointments, including as of this week community health workers, first responders such as police and fire personnel, those 65 years old or older, and those 16-64 who have underlying conditions identified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

For residents who have questions or need assistance navigating the state's registration system, please call our COVID Testing and Vaccination Hotline at (908) 231-7155.

Residents and workers who are not yet eligible to be vaccinated should still pre-register at <a href="https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/">https://covidvaccine.nj.gov/</a> to be notified when they will be eligible to attend a vaccination clinic. Pre-registration does not include an appointment, but an interest in being vaccinated. Once pre-registered, appointments will be scheduled based on your priority group and eligibility to be vaccinated. The length of Phase 1 and the timing of Phase 2 vaccinations for the general public will be determined by the number of vaccination requests and the availability of vaccine, but anyone can pre-register immediately.

Registration is required for all Somerset County Department of Health Clinics, and the clinics will not be able to accommodate walk- and drive-up clients due to the fixed number of vaccine doses available at each clinic.

Learn more about Somerset County's COVID vaccination and testing efforts at <u>https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/residents/covid-19-status-site/vaccinations</u> and <u>https://www.co.somerset.nj.us/government/public-health-safety/health-department</u>.

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