

ONEIDA COUNTY Health Department

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To protect, nurture and advance the health of our community

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ONEIDA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT NOW RESUMING USE OF THE JOHNSON & JOHNSON VACCINE

On April 23, a CDC panel recommended that the pause in the use of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine be lifted. Based on the panel's recommendation, the FDA ended the pause, state and local jurisdictions can now resume use of the J&J vaccine.

The FDA determined that the level of risk was very low and that the benefits of continued use of the J&J vaccine greatly outweigh any risk associated with it. Women younger than 50 years old should, however, be aware of the infrequent, but increased risk of the very rare blood clotting disorder associated with the J&J vaccine and that there are other COVID-19 vaccine options available for which this risk has not been seen.

Oneida County Health Department is again offering two vaccine options available to those ages 18 and older.

- The Johnson and Johnson/Janssen vaccine is a single dose vaccine that was 66.3% effective in clinical trials and had high efficacy at preventing hospitalization and death in people who did get sick with COVID-19.
- The Moderna vaccine is a two dose vaccine series with the second dose approximately 28 days after the first dose. Based on evidence from clinical trials, the Moderna vaccine was 94.1% effective at preventing laboratory-confirmed COVID-19 illness in people who received two doses who had no evidence of being previously infected.

The Pfizer vaccine, which is not carried by Oneida County Health Department, has been approved under the emergency use authorization for individuals ages 16 and older. Contact your healthcare provider or pharmacy to check on availability.

To schedule your vaccination appointment, visit the Oneida County Health Department website at https://publichealth.co.oneida.wi.us/ and follow the vaccine registration prompts or go directly to https://publichealth.co.oneida.wi.us/ and follow the vaccine registration prompts or go directly to https://bookochd.timetap.com/#/ Appointments will be open on a week to week basis, so if there is limited availability during a particular week, community members are encouraged to check back as the subsequent week opens.

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Embracing change, partnerships, and best practices to lead Oneida County to a healthy future. Oneida County Health Department continues to recommend the use of face coverings and physical distancing as we work to decrease the burden of COVID-19 in our county, state, and country.

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