



**TOWN OF VERNON**  
and  
**NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT**



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## **Town of Vernon and North Central District Health Department Partner to Host COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic this Friday at the Vernon Senior Center**

**(VERNON, Connecticut)** – The Town of Vernon and the North Central District Health Department (NCDHD) are partnering to host a COVID-19 vaccination clinic this Friday, January 22, 2021, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Vernon Senior Center, 135 Bolton Road.

**Vaccinations are by appointment only for eligible recipients. No walk-ins will be accepted.**

Following current public health guidelines, vaccinations for the general public are only approved for people age 75 and older.

People can sign up for an appointment via the state's Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS) by visiting <https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine>.

"As part of our ongoing response to the pandemic, the Town of Vernon is committed to making COVID-19 vaccination convenient and accessible for residents of Vernon and surrounding communities," Vernon Mayor Dan Champagne said. "Through our partnership with Eastern Connecticut Health Network we are operating five vaccination clinics a week at Rockville General Hospital. This additional clinic this week with the Health District will provide a boost to our vaccination program."

The clinic will be staffed by employees of the Local Health District and the Town of Vernon.

"Our goal at the Health District is to get this live-saving vaccine to people as quickly and safely as we can," said Patrice Sulik, the Director of Health for the North Central District Health Department. "Thanks to our municipal partners in the district's member-towns, we have been able to rapidly ramp up our vaccination efforts."

Vernon Town Administrator and Emergency and Risk Management Director Michael Purcaro said town leaders are continuously looking for ways to increase vaccination capacity in Vernon.

“Following the current public health guidance is critical to protecting yourself and your family, however, getting the vaccine into peoples’ arms is what will ultimately help us control this pandemic,” Purcaro said. “We are well positioned and ready to administer additional vaccine as soon as the supply increases.”

### **About the Town of Vernon**

The Town of Vernon is a celebrated place to live, work and visit. From its beautiful parks and lakes, to its vast trails and historic homes and buildings, Vernon is a resilient and thriving community that promotes the health and wellbeing of its residents and values the natural environment. With a resident population of approximately 30,000 and occupying 18.03 square miles, Vernon combines a balanced appreciation of history, and a strong economic base for growth, both residential and commercial. Located 15 minutes east of the Connecticut capital of Hartford, and 25 miles from the City of Springfield, Massachusetts, the Town of Vernon is strategically located in “New England's Knowledge Corridor” with close proximity to some of the top colleges and universities in the country.

Recently designated as a certified Sustainable Community, the Town of Vernon offers a wide range of benefits and services to its residents. The Town of Vernon is a full-service municipality that practices a management philosophy of continuous quality improvement. To learn more about the Town of Vernon, please call (860) 870-3670 or visit [www.vernon-ct.gov](http://www.vernon-ct.gov).

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