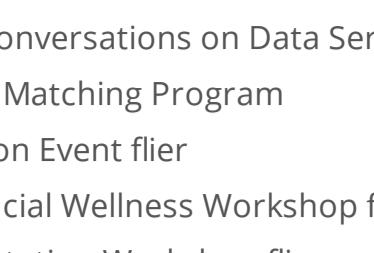




Culturally Specific Newsletter

June 3, 2021



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Vaccine Distribution

[Click here](#) for upcoming COVID-19 vaccination opportunities!

For assistance, call the Multnomah County COVID Call Center at [503-988-8939](#)

- Interpretation is available

The vaccine and the services we provide are free, and you will **not be asked** for any form of identification, health insurance, or proof of immigration status

The Pfizer vaccine is approved for anyone ages 12+. The Moderna vaccine is approved for anyone ages 18+. All Oregonians ages 12+ can now get the COVID-19 vaccine.

If you would like to volunteer at a Multnomah County vaccination clinic, [click here!](#)

COVID-19 Case Situation

- As of June 2nd, 2021, [Oregon reported 356 new cases and 2 new deaths](#)
- Governor Brown's new ["Take your shot" Vaccination Campaign](#)
- [Black/African Americans in our region remain at higher risk for severe COVID-19](#)

Youth Vaccination Information

Anyone 12 years and older are now eligible for the Pfizer vaccine. 12-14 year olds **MUST** be accompanied by parent, guardian, or someone designated by the parent

- If someone other than the parent/guardian accompanies a 12-14 year old, they must provide proof of parental/guardian consent and must be available by phone to answer medical questions
- Proof of consent is either:
 - A signed consent form ([English](#) and [Spanish](#)) OR
 - A written or typed note including the parent/guardian's name, their relationship to the young adult, the young adult's date of birth, a statement saying the parent/guardian consents to the young adult's vaccination, and the parent/guardian's signature

15-17 year olds **DO NOT** need to be accompanied by an adult and do not require parental consent in Oregon

- Can consent to own medical treatment when providers are physician, physician assistant, naturopath, nurse practitioner, dentist, or optometrist

FAQ's for [parents](#) and [adolescents under 18](#)

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Oregon follows [CDC Masking Guidance for Fully Vaccinated People](#)

Fully vaccinated people can be unmasked indoors or outdoors under [new Oregon guidance](#)

Must continue to wear a mask:

- Public Transit (buses, planes, trains, MAX, ect)
- Hospitals and Clinics
- Youth and adult correctional facilities
- Homeless shelters, long-term care and other congregate living facilities
- Schools

Face coverings are not required outdoors, regardless of vaccination status

- OHA recommends that people who are unvaccinated and at high risk for severe illness wear a face covering and physically distance in outdoor crowded areas and large gatherings

Businesses and venue operators remain free to establish their own, more restrictive policies regarding mask usage

[Full News Release](#)

[Mask Guidance Infographic](#)

[Mask Requirement Sign](#)

- [English 8x11](#)
- [English 11x12](#)

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Multnomah County Risk Level

Multnomah County now holds the "Lower Risk" designation

The Multnomah County Public Health Division recommends that **everyone** continue wearing masks in any indoor public spaces for the time being

Guidance from both the CDC and the state of Oregon already advise unvaccinated people to continue wearing masks indoors

- Public Health is advising everyone else to keep wearing masks because, in many situations, there is no practical way to tell who is fully protected

Public Health is continuing to work closely with community-based organizations to ensure people get access both to vaccines and the information they need to make an informed decision

[Detailed list of allowed "Lower Risk" activities](#)

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Emergency Programs

The Office for Community Technology has an Emergency Broadband Benefit Program (EBB) that can provide a service discount to low income households for existing or new broadband service. To see if you qualify and for more information, [visit the website here](#)

- To speak with somebody, dial [211](#), [311](#), or call the library at [503-988-5123](#)
- USAC (the federal agency administering the program) has a hotline at [833-511-0311](#) and email at [EBBHelp@USAC.org](#) for questions. The hotline is open 6am to 6pm PST 7 days a week

Oregon Emergency Rental Assistance Program (OERAP)

- This is offered **regardless of citizenship or immigration status** and will not impact eligibility for other programs such as SNAP, Medicaid, Social Security or housing
- Funds are NOT first come first serve and are prioritized based on NEED
- To learn more and apply, [CLICK HERE](#)
- COVID-19 EOC Affordable Housing Liaison's email: [affordablehousing.covid19@multco.us](#)

• Governor Kate Brown signed [Senate Bill 282](#) into law, a bill that gives renters until February 28, 2022 to repay all rent accrued between April 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021

- More information can be found in the [Housing Supports, Homeless Services and Resources](#) section in this newsletter

Shuttered Venue Operators Grants

- These grants apply to live venue operators, promoters, theatrical producers, live performing arts organizations, museums, zoos, aquariums and theaters
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- Visit [SVGrant](#) for a link to a video tutorial about getting registered on SAM.gov and more information on the Shuttered Venue Operators Grant program.

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[Diversity in Vaccine Studies](#)

[How the vaccines work](#)

[Pregnancy and Breastfeeding](#)

At Vaccination/Post-Vaccination Information:

- Multnomah County Specific Johnson & Johnson [Fact Sheet](#)
- [What to do now that you're vaccinated](#)
- [State Guidance for Vaccinated People](#)

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Community Resources

Transportation to vaccination events through TriMet

- How community organizations can request passes
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- If you have questions or comments, please email Kristen Darmodity at [Kristen.Darmodity@MultCoHmz.org](#)

Uber & Lyft Rides to Vaccination Events

- You will be a partner to get rides with Uber or Lyft to get vaccinated. The app will be available by phone to answer medical questions
- Download the app or visit [Uber's](#) or [Lyft's](#) website for a ride code
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