

COVID-19 Updates and Resources – August 5, 2021



New Information:

1) Current Cases and Statistics:

- Confirmed COVID-19 cases have continued to increase this week with transmission on the rise. As such, we have moved into the **ORANGE (MODERATE) RISK LEVEL**.
 - Read the [press release](#) and [infographic](#) to learn more.
 - Read the breakdown of the [8 metrics](#) that determine Teton County's overall COVID risk.
- Between July 20, 2021 and August 4, 2021 Teton County detected 74 new cases. This is a 51.0% increase from the previous two-week period.
- 3.89% of COVID-19 tests in the past two weeks were positive.
- 64% of cases in the past two weeks have been due to community spread.
- As of 8/4/2021, there were 55 known active cases in Teton County.
- In Orange, the [Dashboard](#) will be updated 3x weekly on Monday, Wednesday and Friday as data is available.

2) Given new evidence on the B.1.617.2 (Delta) variant, CDC has updated the [guidance for fully vaccinated people](#).

- The CDC, Wyoming Department of Health and Teton County Health Department all recommend universal indoor masking for all individuals, regardless of vaccination status.**
- Besides masking up, please consider re-implementing previous COVID-19 mitigation strategies, such as distancing, sanitation, etc. Now is the time to be extra diligent!

3) After only having Moderna and J&J available for 1st doses due to supply, our ongoing weekly vaccine clinics are now able to offer Pfizer for individuals coming in for their first dose.

4) On August 3, the CDC issued a [new order for a moratorium on evictions](#) in areas with high levels of COVID-19 transmission, which applies to Teton County.

Existing Information:

1) Please continue to...

- Ask staff to please respond to the Health Department if we call about a known exposure.
- Encourage all staff that are sick or have any symptoms to test, regardless of vaccine status. The only way to know if it is just a cold or allergies is to test. In addition, please encourage regular surveillance testing especially for your unvaccinated staff.**
 - If you need more vault tests to have on hand at your place of business or to send home with employees, please fill out this [google form](#) and we can fulfill your request.
- Encourage your unvaccinated staff to get vaccinated.
 - Remind them that COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective and significantly reduce not only the risk of getting COVID-19 but also the chance of spreading it to others. They are also proven to reduce severe illness, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19.
- Allow employees to get vaccinated during their work hours and or provide additional sick time if they develop symptoms.
- Contact us if you want to talk about supporting vaccinating amongst your staff - we are ready and eager to help you!

2) COVID-19 Vaccine Update:

- Vaccines are available for all individuals 12 years and older.
- The **Teton Health Department's Pop-Up COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic** is hitting the road!
 - If you are a business, non-profit, or special event and want to request the Vaccine Bus, please fill out our [Pop-Up Clinic Request Form](#).
 - Click [here](#) for more information.
- Vaccine clinics are held at the Teton County Health Department (460 East Pearl Ave.)

- [Book an appointment](#) or walk-in any time *except for* the last 30 minutes of the day.
- Clinics are held:
 - Wednesdays from 3PM-7PM
 - Thursdays from 8:30AM-12:00 PM and 1:00PM-3:30PM
 - Fridays from 8:30AM- 12:00PM and 1:00PM-5:30PM
 - The last Saturday of the month only – August 28th from 8:30AM-12:30PM
- For ongoing and general clinic information, visit www.tetoncountywy.gov/covidvax for frequent updates.
- Call our COVID hotline at 307-732-8628 between 9AM-4PM Monday-Friday to get assistance or you can email covidvax@tetoncountywy.gov if you have questions.
- Community members can also book vaccine appointments at [Albertsons](#) and [Smith's Pharmacies](#).
 - Both Pharmacies have the Moderna Vaccine and can accommodate both 1st and 2nd doses.
 - Smith's also carries J&J Vaccine – currently offering on Thursdays and Fridays but is subject to change.

3) Testing Update and Resources:

- **WHEN TO TEST?**
 - **If you have symptoms (vaccinated or not) – test immediately. This includes cold-like symptoms!** Individuals should leave work and isolate from others until they receive negative results (see below if exposed).
 - If exposed to someone who tested positive (you are likely to hear from Public Health):
 - **FULLY VACCINATED** (>2 weeks after last recommended dose):
 - a. SYMPTOMATIC? Test immediately. Quarantine until results received. Isolate if positive.
 - b. NO SYMPTOMS? Test 3-5 days following a known exposure to someone with suspected or confirmed COVID-19. Wear a mask in all indoor settings for 14 days or until negative test result. Monitor for symptoms for 14 days. Isolate if test is positive.
 - **NOT FULLY VACCINATED:** Quarantine and test at appropriate time (immediately if symptomatic; no earlier than day 5 if asymptomatic). Monitor for symptoms for 14 days.
- **FREE CURATIVE TESTS:**
 - Curative has shifted tests to a **shallow nasal swab**.
 - Kiosk Locations:
 - Teton County Library Parking Lot (open from Monday through Friday 8AM – 3:30PM)
 - Jackson Home Ranch Welcome Center Parking Lot (open from Monday through Friday 7:30AM - 3PM)
 - Walk-ins welcome or make your appointment on curative.com.
 - Print and post the **updated 7.2.21 Curative Testing Flyer** in [English](#) and [Spanish](#) to promote free COVID-19 testing for both locals and visitors. Reach out if you would like to request copies.
- **FREE VAULT SALIVA TESTS:**
 - Vault tests are still available to order for free for [individuals](#) and [businesses](#).
 - Also available to pick up outside the Teton County Health Department and or order directly through us.
- **SURVEILLANCE TESTING:**
 - Surveillance testing is encouraged regardless of vaccine status, however it is especially important for those that are unvaccinated and those who work closely with travelers, vulnerable populations, and those who work in communal living environments.
 - Individuals *may* test if fully vaccinated. Being vaccinated will not affect your results.
 - **We ask that if you are interested, please re-enroll by filling out the new [Business Surveillance Testing Sign-Up Form](#). We have sunsetted our previous list on July 1st.**
 - You may fill out the form for each employee yourself or give to your employee directly.
 - If you are new to surveillance testing and would like more information please email covid-testing@tetoncountywy.gov or check out our website [Business Surveillance Testing](#).

4) [Health Orders and Recommendations](#):

- **Face Covering/Mask Updates and Mandates**
 - **Teton County Health Department encourages all residents, workers, and visitors to wear masks in public indoor settings, regardless of vaccination status.** This recommendation is based on new guidance provides by the Wyoming Department of Health (WDH), which follows the [CDC's change to mask wearing for vaccinated individuals](#). Read the [press release](#) to learn more.
 - [Federal Mask Mandate](#) for federal buildings and federal lands.
 - CDC has a Requirement for Persons to Wear Masks While on Conveyances and at Transportation Hubs. Learn more [here](#) and [here](#).
 - [TSA Security Directive for Airports/Airplanes](#) which is valid through September 13, 2021.