

COVID-19 Bulletin

 Southcoast Health

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of Southcoast Health

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Greetings, Southcoast Colleagues.

In this Bulletin, you will find the following:

- **Deadlines for first doses of Moderna and Pfizer vaccines**
- **Deadline for flu vaccine: November 15**
- **REMINDER: Where to get vaccinated for COVID-19 and flu**
- **STATUS REPORT: COVID-19 cases**

Please scroll through the entire Bulletin for these updates, and be sure to visit Southcoast's redesigned [COVID-19 Employee Hub](#).

Thank you.

Deadlines for first doses of Moderna and Pfizer vaccines

Reminder: The deadline to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 is November 15.

If you have NOT received your first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine and you are planning on receiving either the Pfizer or the Moderna vaccine, then **you need to get your first dose of Moderna by October 18 or your first dose of Pfizer by October 25** to be in compliance with Southcoast's [vaccination policy](#).

Both the Pfizer and the Moderna vaccines require two doses for full vaccination. Because the J&J vaccine requires only one dose, the deadline to receive this brand is November 15. A booster shot is not required to meet Southcoast's vaccine policy.

Employees who are not fully vaccinated by November 15 will be subject to corrective action up to and including termination of employment.

Deadline for flu vaccine: November 15

Employees are required to receive the flu vaccine by November 15 (the same deadline date as for full COVID-19 vaccination).

The exemption process for the flu vaccine is being finalized. Employees will be notified when that process is complete and exemptions can be requested.

Reminder: The flu and COVID vaccines can be administered at the same time. There is no set waiting time required between receiving the flu vaccine and the COVID-19 vaccine. However, it is recommended that the vaccines be given in separate arms, not the same arm to lessen the chance of a localized reaction. Please note, COVID-19 vaccination IS NOT available at employee flu clinics.

See also from the CDC: [Frequently Asked Influenza \(Flu\) Questions: 2021-2022 Season](#).

REMINDER: Where to get vaccinated for COVID-19 and flu

COVID-19 Vaccination:

October schedule for COVID-19 employee walk-in vaccination – NO Appointment needed – at the Vanity Fair clinic. 375 Faunce Corner Road, Dartmouth:

- Tues., Oct. 12, 1:30pm - 5pm (Pfizer ONLY)
- Wed., Oct. 13, 9am - 4pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J & J)
- Thur., Oct 14 4pm - 8pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J & J)
- Sat., Oct. 16, 10am - 2pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J)
- Weds., Oct. 20, 9am - 4pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J)
- Thur., Oct 21 4pm - 8pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J & J)

- Sat., Oct. 23, 10am - 2pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J)
- Weds., Oct. 27, 9am - 4pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J)
- Thurs., Oct. 28, 4pm - 8pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J)
- Sat., Oct. 30, 10am - 2pm (Pfizer, Moderna, J&J)

Click [here](#) for complete information on COVID-19 vaccination for Southcoast employees.

Flu Vaccination:

Southcoast is offering employee flu clinics through the end of October.

- Click to view the [employee flu clinic schedule](#).

For information on Southcoast's employee flu vaccination program, visit the [Flu Clinics page](#) on the intranet. This page contains information on and links to:

- Southcoast's vaccine policy,
- Employee flu clinics,
- providing consent for vaccination at Southcoast using the FluForm app,
- submitting proof of vaccination using FluForm if you have received your flu vaccine elsewhere,
- flu vaccine information statements from the CDC and more.

STATUS REPORT: COVID-19 cases

As of this morning, we have 39 patients who have tested positive for COVID-19 hospitalized across our system – with 9 positive cases in ICU. In addition, we currently have 6 PUI currently hospitalized across our system – with 0 PUI in ICU.

COVID-19 daily dashboards, generated by the Southcoast Analytics Team, are available [here](#).

Thank you, and be well.