

GEORGE LATIMER, Westchester County Executive

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WESTCHESTER COUNTY EXECUTIVE GEORGE LATIMER ANNOUNCES FREE COVID-19 VACCINES FOR YOUNGEST CHILDREN

Health Department Offers Vaccines by Appointment for Children Six Months to Five Years

(White Plains, NY) – Westchester County Executive George Latimer announced that the County Health Department is offering free pediatric Moderna COVID-19 vaccines this summer. **The vaccine clinics will be held on Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon, by appointment only, for children ages six months to five years.** The vaccine clinics will be held at the Health Department, 134 Court Street, White Plains.

Last week, the County gave 109 young children their first COVID-19 vaccines.

Westchester County Health Commissioner Dr. Sherlita Amler said: “Contrary to popular belief, young children can and do get COVID-19, and unfortunately, some do become very sick. Now that we can give the youngest among us the same protection available to the rest of us, I strongly encourage every parent and guardian of a young child to get their little ones fully vaccinated against COVID-19.”

The Moderna vaccine is given in two doses, at least 28 days apart. The County will also be offering all other COVID-19 vaccines for the other age groups from 1 to 3 p.m. on Fridays.

To make an appointment, go to: <https://health.westchestergov.com/2019-novel-coronavirus>, select the Vaccine and Clinic Information drop down, and click on the link for the vaccine you want. More appointments will be added, so please check back frequently.

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About Westchester County

Westchester County, located in the heart of the historic Hudson Valley, covers 500 square miles and has a population of just over one million. Originally home to Native Americans, who were members of the Lenape tribe, it is today a rich mix of many cultures and landscapes. The County is a blend of bustling cities, quaint villages and picturesque towns as well as open spaces and a network of beautiful parks. Westchester is made up of 6 cities, 19 towns and 20 villages. Westchester County is known for top-notch public schools, and a high quality of life. The County is also an intellectual capital, boasting a highly educated workforce, competitive colleges and universities, Fortune 500 companies, world changing non-profits, and cutting-edge research centers. Westchester is led by County Executive George Latimer, who took office in January 2018 as the ninth County Executive. Using inclusion and openness as a foreground, Latimer is fighting to make Westchester a destination for all people to live, work and enjoy. Learn more about Westchester County by visiting www.westchestergov.com

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