

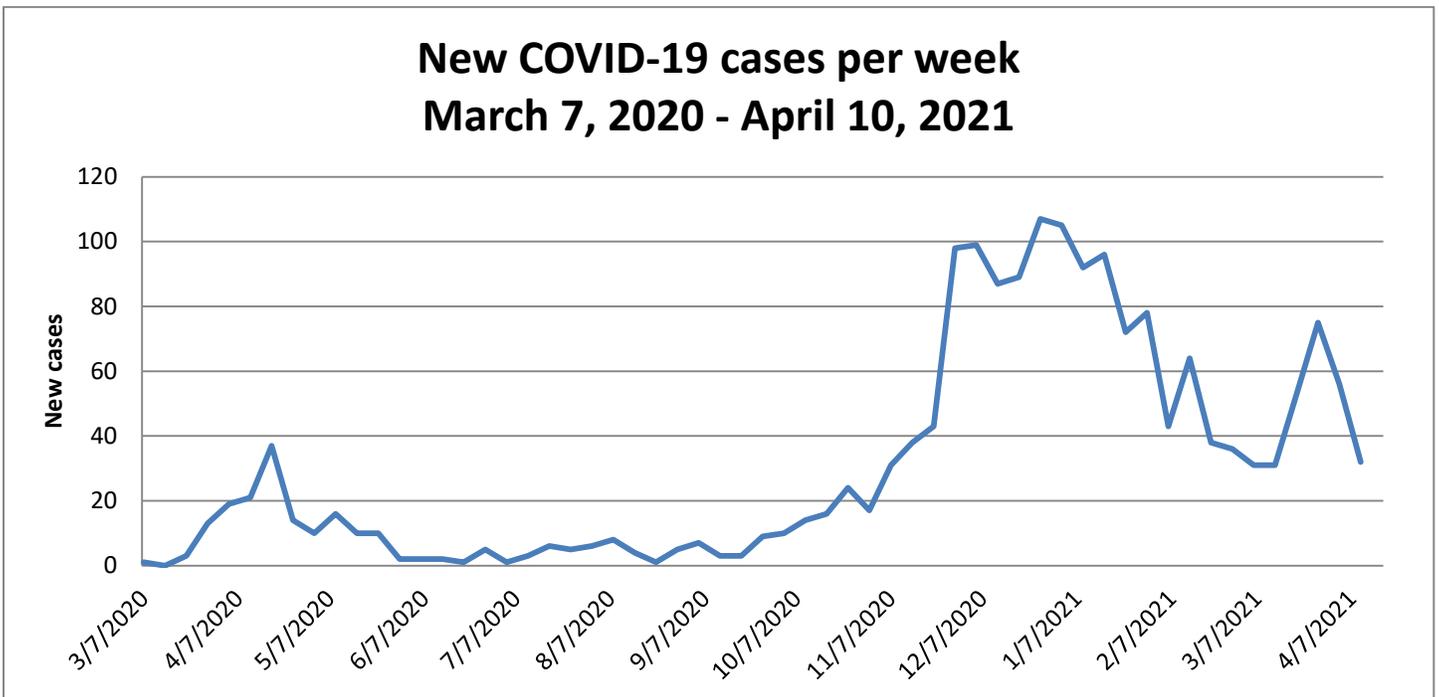
## COMMUNITY UPDATE COVID-19

**April 15, 2021:**

The Town of Mansfield continues its community update on our website with our up to date information and important tips for the public as it relates to the COVID-19 pandemic. For more complete information, please see the town [coronavirus webpage](#).

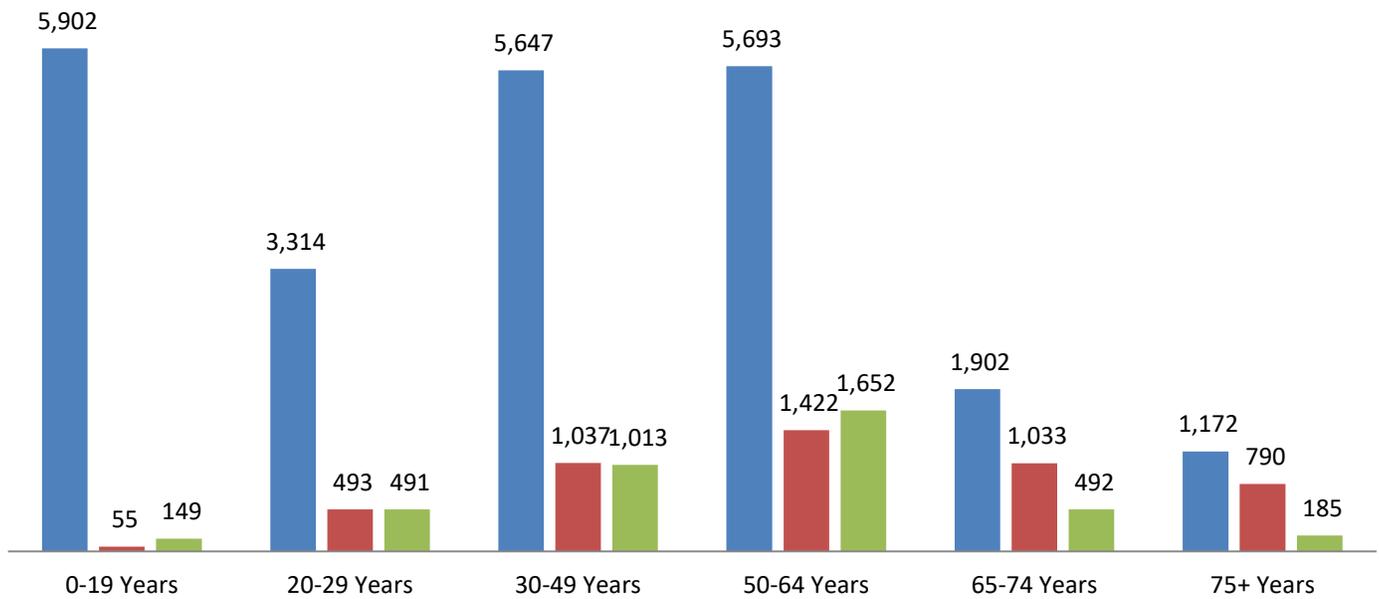
- **As of today, please see the below chart that represents our communities COVID-19 relates cases:**

<i>Mansfield Covid-19 Workflow</i>	#	
Positive COVID-19 under isolation	<b>34</b>	(updated 4/15 08:00)
Positive Cases recovered	<b>1714</b>	
Total tested positive since beginning:	<b>1771</b>	
Mansfield Community Designation Level	<b>Red</b>	Red-higher risk Yellow- moderate risk Green- lower risk
Covid-19 Related Deaths	<b>23</b>	Last Covid death in Mansfield 03/01/21



## Vaccine Distribution in Mansfield as of April 8, 2021

■ Population ■ Fully vaccinated individuals ■ Partially vaccinated individuals



\* vaccine use is currently only approved for ages 16 and above

- [Johnson and Johnson Vaccine Distribution Pause](#)

Of nearly 7 million doses of J&J/Janssen [#COVID19](#) Vaccine given in the US, a small number of cases of a rare & severe type of blood clot have been reported in people after receiving the vaccine. CDC & U.S. Food and Drug Administration are recommending a pause as we review the data. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/3acYSnz>

### WHY IS THERE A PAUSE?

CDC and FDA are reviewing data involving a small number of U.S. cases of a rare and severe type of blood clot in people after they got Johnson and Johnson's Janssen vaccine.

To be extra careful, we recommend not using this vaccine until we know more.

[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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## WHAT IS CDC GOING TO DO NEXT?

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, a group of medical and public health experts across the country that makes vaccine recommendations, is reviewing the cases and determining next steps.



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## IS THE SYSTEM WORKING?

Yes. This pause on the J&J/Janssen vaccine shows that safety monitoring systems, like the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), are working efficiently to detect unusual or unexpected patterns of adverse events.



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## I GOT THE J&J VACCINE. WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

These blood clots appear to be extremely rare, fewer than 1 in a million.

If you've received the J&J/Janssen vaccine within the past three weeks and develop symptoms such as a severe headache, pain in the abdomen (chest or stomach), leg pain, or shortness of breath, you should seek urgent medical care right away.



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## CAN I STILL GET A COVID-19 VACCINE?

Yes. This decision to pause does not affect the use of the Pfizer-BioNTech and Moderna vaccines, which are both effective at preventing COVID-19.



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### CDC and FDA Recommended to Pause use of the J&J/Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine

CDC and FDA recommended this pause to communicate with and prepare the healthcare system to recognize and treat patients appropriately. Communication with healthcare providers will also emphasize the importance of reporting and how to report severe events in people who have received this vaccine. This pause also will allow CDC's independent advisory committee, the [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices](#), to meet, review these cases, and assess their potential significance.

## **Safety Is a Top Priority**

COVID-19 [vaccine safety is a top priority for the federal government](#), and all reports of health problems following COVID-19 vaccination are taken very seriously. This potential safety issue was caught early, and this pause reflects the federal government's commitment to transparency as CDC and FDA review these data. COVID-19 vaccines have undergone and will continue to undergo the most intensive safety monitoring in U.S. history.

## **What to Do If You Received the J&J/Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine**

If you received the vaccine **more than three weeks ago**, the risk of developing a blood clot is likely very low at this time.

If you received the vaccine **within the last three weeks**, your risk of developing a blood clot is also very low and that risk will decrease over time.

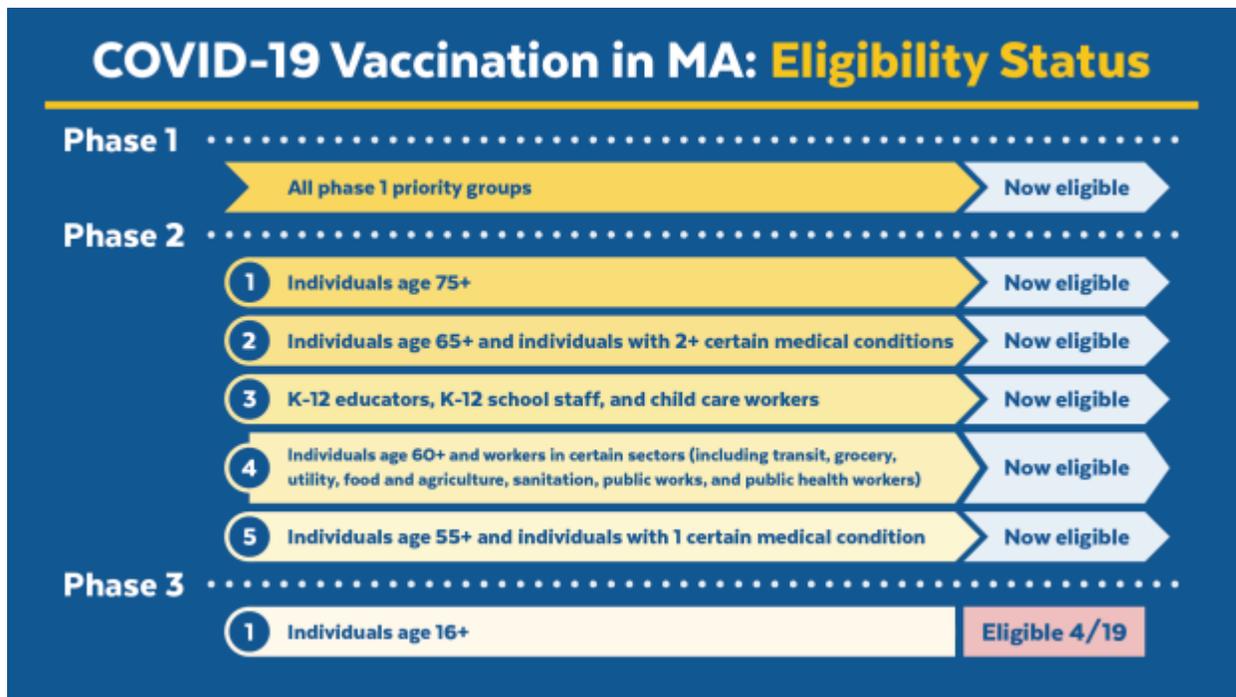
Contact your healthcare provider and seek medical treatment urgently if you develop any of the following symptoms:

- severe headache,
- backache,
- new neurologic symptoms,
- severe abdominal pain,
- shortness of breath,
- leg swelling,
- tiny red spots on the skin (petechiae), or
- new or easy bruising

If you are **scheduled to get the J&J/Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine**, please work with your vaccine provider to reschedule your appointment to receive another authorized and recommended COVID-19 vaccine. There are two other COVID-19 vaccines authorized and recommended for use in the United States: [Pfizer-BioNTech](#) and [Moderna](#).

If you experience any adverse events after vaccination, report them to [v-safe](#) and the [Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System](#)

- **Vaccine Eligibility Timeline**



- **[Steps to Get Your Vaccination](#)**

**Step 1:** Check your eligibility below or [use our tool](#)

**Step 2:** Preregister for a mass vaccination location or find a location and schedule your appointment

There are different ways to find a vaccine appointment:

- Preregister at [VaccineSignUp.mass.gov](https://VaccineSignUp.mass.gov) to be notified when it's your turn to schedule an appointment at one of [7 mass vaccination locations](#).
- Use [VaxFinder.mass.gov](https://VaxFinder.mass.gov) to search for appointments at pharmacies, health care providers, and other community locations

**Council on Aging staff is available to assist any vaccine-eligible seniors who need help navigating the scheduling process. Please call 508-261-7368.**

**Step 3:** [Prepare for your appointment](#)