



BARRINGTON TOWN MANAGER'S WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear Residents, Businesses, and Community Partners,

Rhode Island's percent positivity rate, as it relates to COVID-19, is down from last week, now 2.3% (2.5% last week).

Rhode Island has now administered over 500,000 vaccines. ***The fastest way to end this pandemic and safely re-open our economy is by getting vaccinated.*** If you are 16 years of age or older, book your appointment today on [VaccinateRI.org](https://www.vaccinateRI.org) or call 844-930-1779 or 211.

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

Additional Vaccine Appointments: Today (4/23) at 5 p.m., roughly 12,000 additional vaccine appointments will be posted on www.vaccinateRI.org.

Current Eligibility: All Rhode Islanders ages 16 and older, and those that work in R.I. are eligible.

Transportation: R.I. Public Transit Authority is offering free fares to those going to and from vaccination appointments. People with vaccine appointments can [email](#) or call 401-781-9400.

Vaccines for Veterans: The Providence Veterans Medical Center is hosting a drive through vaccination clinic on May 1st from 9am-3pm at the Medical Center on Chalkstone Ave., Providence. Sign up [here](#). For more information click [here](#) or call 401-273-7100 ext. 16226.

Homebound Vaccinations: If you are homebound and have not requested a vaccine, please do so through this survey: <http://bit.ly/homeboundvax>.

Options for Rhode Islanders 16+ to be vaccinated:

1. **State Sites:** Register for a vaccine [here](#) or call 844-930-1779.
2. **Regional Sites:** Located in East Providence, Johnston and Westerly. Appointments are required. Visit <https://www.vaccinateri.org/>.
3. **Pharmacies:** [CVS](#), [Walgreens](#), [Walmart](#), [Stop and Shop](#), and [independent pharmacies](#).
4. [Lifespan Clinic](#) and [Care New England Clinic](#)

For more information on vaccines, visit: <https://covid.ri.gov/vaccination>. Sign up for RIDOH's weekly vaccination newsletter [here](#).

COVID-19 Testing

For a full list of locations statewide click [here](#). To make an appointment click [here](#).

Re-Opening Rhode Island

Governor McKee announced future plans for lifting operating restrictions on businesses and social gatherings. In the weeks leading up to these changes, please remember to continue to wear masks, stay home if you are sick, and get vaccinated.

Reopening: Stay the course on safety			What you can safely do if you're vaccinated – if you're partially vaccinated or not vaccinated, you're more likely to get and spread COVID-19 doing these activities.
Fully vaccinated means you have all recommended doses of a COVID-19 vaccine and more than 14 days have passed since your final dose			
CATEGORY	BEGINNING May 7 th	BEGINNING May 28 th	
MASK WEARING	Required indoors and if less than 3ft spacing outdoors	Required indoors and if less than 3ft spacing outdoors	
INDOOR DINING	80% indoors, 100% outdoors, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
BAR AREAS	For indoors: seated-only and plexiglass required	Indoor standing service, no plexiglass required	
CATERED EVENTS	80% up to 200 indoors, 500 outdoors, recommended/required testing*, outdoor only: standing bar service and cocktail hours	100% capacity with no cap, indoor standing bar service and cocktail hours, open dance floors	
HOUSES OF WORSHIP	80% capacity, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
RETAIL	80% capacity, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
GYMS, SPORTS & REC	80% capacity, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
PERSONAL SERVICES	80% capacity, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
VENUES OF ASSEMBLY	80% up to 500 indoors, no cap outdoors, 3 ft spacing DBR/municipal approval for 2,500+ events	100% capacity with no cap, 3 ft spacing indoors DBR/municipal approval for 2,500+ indoor events	
FUNERAL HOMES	80% capacity, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
OFFICES	80% capacity, 3 ft spacing	100% capacity, 3 ft spacing indoors	
SOCIAL GATHERINGS	Up to 25 people indoors, 75 people outdoors	No limit	
SPORTS	Apr. 26: Expanded Youth Sports attendance; high-risk indoor sports permitted to have competitions	Out-of-state teams can attend in-state tournaments	
* Required for student catered events, strongly recommended for other catered events			1 RHODE ISLAND

New Grant Programs for Businesses

[RI Small Businesses Relief Grant Program](#) provides \$5,000 to R.I. small businesses affected financially by COVID-19. [Applications](#) are open and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis through April 30.

The [U.S. Small Business Administration](#) is offering grants for [Shuttered Venue Operators](#), including operators of live venues, live performing arts organizations, museums, movie theatres, as well as live venue promoters, theatrical producers, and talent representatives. For more information click [here](#).

Local Updates

Saturday, April 24, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.: Barrington Farm School is hosting a Party for the Earth, including workshops and farm activities. Visit the [BFS Facebook page](#) for event updates.

Saturday, April 24, 10am-2pm, Drug Take Back, Barrington Police Station. Drive up and anonymous.

Friday, April 30, starting at 10:30 a.m.: Rhode Island Arbor Day free event at North Hull Street Park in East Providence. Visit www.ritree.org/arbor-day-celebration for additional details.

Summer job opportunities, posted [here](#).

Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation. **Let's overcome this virus!**

Stay positive and test negative,

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Additional Resources	
RIDOH COVID-19 Hotline	401-222-8022 or email
United Way 24/7 Hotline	2-1-1
Statewide Testing	Make an appointment
K-12 Testing	844-857-1814 or Schedule Online
COVID-19 Business Testing Contact Center	To register: 888-662-4354 or RIDOH.COVID19BizTesting@health.ri.gov
American Red Cross	(833) 492-0094
Children's Behavioral Health Issues	Kids' Link , or call 1-855-543-5465
Mental Health and Substance Use Help	BH Link Hotline: 401-414-LINK (5465) 24/7 Walk-In Center: 975 Waterman Ave., East Providence
Delivery Services for those in Quarantine	RI Delivers: call 2-1-1 or 401-462-4444
Housing & Rental Assistance	Call 2-1-1 and visit here .
FEMA Funeral Assistance	Apply for assistance with COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020. Visit here .
RI Coalition Against Domestic Violence	Visit or call 1-800-494-8100
Business Assistance	www.commerceri.com , 401-521-4357 (HELP), info@commerceri.com
Small Business Administration Loans	Visit