

BPSOS Falls Church NEWSLETTER

July 2021

NEW COVID-19 CASES IN AMERICA

May 24, 2021 to June 21, 2021

LOCATION	5/24	6/21
Texas	2,862	653
California	1,433	1,291
Georgia	318	172
Alabama	132	356
Mississippi	482	159
Virginia	76	116



Governor Ralph Northam today announced that **70% of adults 18 years and older in the Commonwealth have received at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine**, according to data from CDC. Virginia has reached President Biden's key vaccination milestone two weeks ahead of the nationwide July 4 target.

"Virginia has reached a significant milestone in the fight against COVID-19," said Governor Northam. "Thanks to the millions of Virginians who have rolled up their sleeves to get vaccinated, the virus is in retreat, our economy is growing, and we are closer to putting this pandemic behind us. A statewide effort has brought us to this point, with strong partnerships in our communities, health systems, the private sector, and across all levels of government. Even as we celebrate this tremendous achievement, we will continue working together to vaccinate everyone who is eligible so our Commonwealth can keep moving forward."

Federal approval of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for adolescents aged 12 to 15 has made more than 400,000 additional Virginians eligible to get vaccinated, and about 30 % of individuals in that age group have received the vaccine so far. Virginia will continue working with school districts to make the vaccine available to students as the vaccination efforts shift from large-scale vaccination sites to health care providers, pharmacies, and mobile vaccine clinics.

Unvaccinated individuals and those who are not fully vaccinated should continue wearing a mask, practicing physical distancing, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces in accordance with federal CDC guidance.

Virginians who have not been vaccinated yet are encouraged to go to www.vaccines.gov or call (703) 538-2190 to find a nearby vaccination clinic.



FAIRFAX BUSINESSES RECOVERY PROGRAM

The grant program, created by Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, is called "PIVOT" and will provide grants to local businesses in the **beauty, hotel, food service, retail and services, arts and other industries** to help them recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

PIVOT will use \$25 million provided through the Federal American Rescue Plan Act to provide targeted assistance to the most hard-hit sectors of the Fairfax County economy. The grant portal will be open from June 23rd through July 9th.

Please call BPSOS at (703) 538-2190 for more information.

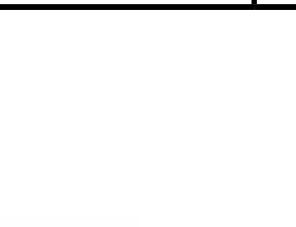


AFFORDABLE HEALTH COVERAGE

Free help with registering for **Medicaid** and **Medicare**

Free consultation and registration for **Marketplace (Obamacare)**

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PAY LESS FOR YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE

President Biden's American Rescue Plan lowers monthly premium for Marketplace coverage!

Until August 15th, almost all individuals and families who are currently enrolled or planning to enroll in Marketplace coverage are eligible for lower monthly premium cost.

Under the American Rescue Plan by President Biden, one can also freely register and enroll in Marketplace coverage without any restrictions from now until August 15th.

BPSOS strongly encourages both insured and uninsured health care providers to enroll into a suitable health coverage and lower your premium if you have already enrolled.

In June 2021, BPSOS successfully enrolled more than 80 individuals and families into qualified and affordable health plans. Even if one is not eligible for Market-

place coverage, our navigators were still able to register and enroll them into Virginia Medicaid program. Additionally, we helped enroll more than 20 seniors in Medicare program. Our navigators spent a lot of time educating about their health insurance options.

Additionally, our senior navigator Duc Truong also handled 18 complicated cases this June, where he investigated and helped clients submit appeals to Virginia Medicaid and Medicare because all of us at BPSOS believed that more than anyone else, our vulnerable and underserved community deserved good health coverage. For more information, please call BPSOS at (703) 538-2190.

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FIGHT AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

In June 2021, case managers of the **Community Against Domestic Violence (CADV)** program received 2 new clients. The program had an interpreter to assist clients to contact with courts and attorneys for family services.

Our case managers continued helping clients with health insurance enrollment and billing.

We also provided assistance with clients' unemployment benefits and training opportunities to find new jobs.

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