

MARK HACKEL, MACOMB COUNTY EXECUTIVE



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Good afternoon,

As I'm sure you've seen, the CDC has released updated COVID-19 recommendations and public health guidance over the last few weeks. This includes the recent announcement of third doses of the COVID-19 vaccine being available for individuals with compromised immune systems. Throughout this pandemic, Macomb County has made it a priority to help protect the most vulnerable in our community. And with this new vaccine development, we stand ready to provide assistance. Starting Monday, August 23, the Macomb County Health Department will begin [scheduling appointments](#) for third doses for immunocompromised individuals. As always, please talk to your health care provider if you have questions about eligibility or want additional information - but when you're ready, we're standing by to help.

In the meantime, please know that our team of public health experts is focused on examining and adapting to all of the developing trends and new guidance coming down from the CDC, the federal government and the state. We have the resources and tools in place and we will do whatever we can to assist you and your family. This also applies to areas outside of our Health Department. So if you're a [senior citizen that needs meals delivered](#), or an individual who needs [rental support](#), please visit macombgov.org. From the Office of Senior Services to Macomb Community Action, the County is here for you.

Thank you. Take care and stay safe,

Mark A. Hackel
Macomb County Executive

Important Things to Know

ARE YOU AGED 12+ WITH A COMPROMISED IMMUNE SYSTEM?

**HAVE YOU RECEIVED TWO DOSES OF THE PFIZER
OR MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

A 3rd dose of the COVID-19 vaccine has been approved by the FDA and CDC for these individuals. This includes people who have received solid organ transplants, people who have an active or untreated HIV infection or people who are in active treatment for cancer.



Health
Department

The Macomb County Health Department will begin scheduling appointments for third doses of the COVID-19 vaccine for immunocompromised individuals on Monday, August 23. If you have questions about your eligibility, talk to your health care provider. You can also learn more at macombgov.org/VaccineCentral and make an appointment at macombgov.org/healthappointment.

If you live in an area with substantial or high spread of COVID-19, the CDC is recommending that you wear a mask in public indoor settings, even if fully vaccinated. [Michigan](#) now falls under the high community spread category. [Visit](#) the CDC's COVID Data Tracker to find out your area's level of COVID-19 spread and to learn more.

Are you a college student headed back to campus? The parent of a student aged 12+ returning to school this fall? Same-day COVID-19 vaccination appointments are currently available at the Verkuilen Building in Clinton Township, and the SW Center in Warren/Majestic Plaza where you will be welcomed by a friendly, professional staff who will have you on your way in no time. For more information, visit macombgov.org/VaccineCentral. Schedule your appointment at macombgov.org/healthappointment.



From the CDC: Did you know? CDC's COVID Data Tracker now shows data about COVID-19 vaccination among pregnant people, broken down by race and ethnicity. In recent months, more pregnant people have been getting vaccinated, but the vaccination rate is still low. If you are pregnant, get a COVID-19 vaccine to help protect yourself and your baby. [Learn more.](#)



Question?
of the Week

**“I lost my COVID-19
Vaccination Record Card.
How do I get a
replacement?”**

 Health
Department

Do you have a question? Call the COVID-19 helpline at 586-463-3750

ANSWER: You should call the location where you received your COVID vaccination. If they are not able to assist, or if you received your COVID vaccination from the Macomb County Health Department, you can call our Immunization Program at 586-469-5372 or 586-465-8537. The location where you received your vaccination, or the health department, will be able to provide you with either a replacement COVID Vaccination Record Card or a copy of your Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) record. Your MCIR record includes a complete list of all of the vaccines – including your COVID-19 vaccinations – that you have received. Your MCIR record is every bit as official as your lost COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card, and can be used for travel and other entities and activities that may require proof of COVID-19 vaccination.

From the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services: Monoclonal antibody therapy can reduce the severity of COVID-19 for those who have recently tested positive for the virus. The treatment is available at no cost to eligible high-risk patients. Talk to your healthcare provider and learn more at [Michigan.gov/COVIDtherapy](https://www.michigan.gov/COVIDtherapy).



**THURSDAY,
AUGUST 26TH**

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Construction is starting on Mound Road! The transformational \$217 million Innovate Mound project to rebuild the Mound corridor from 11 Mile Road to M-59 is breaking ground this month. Get the latest project information and construction details in-person at [Innovate Mound 301](#), a community open house hosted by the Macomb County Department of Roads and project partners. The Innovate Mound team will share what to expect as construction kicks off this month and will be available to answer questions regarding construction and the project schedule. [Click here](#) for more information.

Calling all volunteers! Macomb Community Action's Office of Senior Services has new ways for you to get involved in your community and help Macomb County seniors in need. Visit mca.macombgov.org to learn about the Meals on Wheels, Friendly Caller and Handy Helper volunteer opportunities.

Executive Hackel has been regularly sharing video updates with Macomb County residents on YouTube and social media. Click on the link below for the latest updates:



[COVID-19 Update with Executive Hackel and Health Department Director Andrew Cox](#)

In the News

Macomb County to offer third dose of COVID-19 vaccines. [Read more.](#)

US health officials call for booster shots against COVID-19. [Read more.](#)

COVID-19 spreading faster in Michigan with delta variant, health officials say. [Read more.](#)

Tips on Going Back to School in Macomb County This Year. [Read more.](#)

Helpful Information and Resources

The Macomb County Emergency Operations Center and Department of Health continue to lead local efforts to respond to the ever-evolving nature of COVID-19 pandemic. For the latest COVID-19 data, news and information, click on the buttons below for helpful resources available to you.



Stay Informed

If you have questions about COVID-19, please call the Macomb County Health Department helpline at 586-463-3750. The helpline is open 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For the latest information from Macomb County regarding COVID-19, please visit [macombgov.org/covid19](https://www.macombgov.org/covid19).

