

The 'Roll Up You Sleeves, MN' Vaccine Outreach Campaign

- In early April Governor Walz launched this outreach effort to focus on connecting workers in critical industries to the resources they need to get vaccinated.
- Workers in specific industries will also be given priority at community vaccination locations depending on the outreach focus for the week.
- The campaign's focus this week is manufacturing and that includes our food manufacturers. The campaign kicked off with employees in the food service industry.
- To get their "spot" in line, manufacturing employees are being asked to register in the **COVID-19 Vaccine Connector** so that they can be prioritized for vaccines at state sites.
- To keep Minnesota's economy afloat over the past year and produce the goods Minnesotans and Americans rely on--including PPE, Minnesota's manufacturing companies re-tooled assembly lines and work environments to create safer workplaces for their over 300,000 collective employees.
- These companies and their employees were there for us and Governor Walz wants us to know that we are there for them.
- This week, we are focusing on manufacturing and also continuing to vaccinate Minnesotans in the 1B Tiers 3 & 4. We are making good progress through 1B and in the coming weeks, will anticipate hosting additional events focused on vaccinating 1C essential workers.

The Progress We Have Made

- This weekend, Governor Walz announced more than 2 million Minnesotans have received at least one dose of COVID-19 Vaccine. Nearly half of Minnesota adults have received a shot.
- The rate of vaccination is increasing. The first million first doses took nearly 12 weeks to administer; the second million first doses took only 5 weeks to administer.
- We are grateful that 2 million Minnesotans have rolled up their sleeves, taken their shot, and put us on the path back to normalcy.
- The State is working tirelessly to get vaccines to all Minnesotans who need them, and if everyone gets a shot when they are able, we will put this pandemic behind us.
- Minnesota continues to be a national leader in getting vaccines into arms.
- We consistently rank in the top ten states for percent of doses administered, and people with a complete series administered per 100,000.

How Minnesotans Can Get Their Shot:

- Register for the Vaccine Connector to get invited to make an appointment at one of the state's **COVID-19 Community Vaccination Program** locations: <https://mn.gov/vaccineconnector>.
- Use the state's Vaccine Finder Map to find the closest vaccine provider: <https://mn.gov/covid19/vaccine/find-vaccine/locations/index.jsp>.
- Contact their primary health care provider or a local pharmacy.
- Employers may also reach out with information about vaccination opportunities.

How Minnesotans Can Get a COVID-19 Test at No Cost:

- Walk in or schedule an appointment for a test at one of the state's community testing sites across Minnesota: <https://mn.gov/covid19/get-tested/testing-locations/community-testing.jsp>.

- Order a test through the state's at-home COVID-19 testing program:
<https://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/coronavirus/testsites/athome.html>.

Protect the Progress

- COVID-19 cases, positivity rates and hospitalizations are rising and variants are spreading widely across the state. We are not out of the woods yet, and we cannot let our guard down.
- The Walz-Flanagan Administration and public health officials urge Minnesotans to remain vigilant and continue following critical safety measures of social distancing, masking, washing hands, and getting tested when needed.
- Visit mn.gov/covid19/vaccine to learn more about Minnesota's vaccine distribution.
- Visit mn.gov/covid19/testing to find a test near you.
- We can finally see the end of this pandemic. We're going to get there together.