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## Updates from the Tampa Bay Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition—October 2021

### October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month

Cybersecurity is an incredibly important issue for the health care system. With technology involved in every aspect of our sector, from communications with patients to keeping medical records to allowing medical equipment to function, understanding and planning for the safety of your network and internet-connected equipment is vital.

So here at the Coalition, to highlight and celebrate Cybersecurity Awareness Month, we will be sharing numerous resources and training opportunities to help you be as prepared as possible! We will start with some state and national-level training opportunities, including the CISA National Cybersecurity Summit listed below. But since cybersecurity is one of our training and exercise priorities this year, we will not limit these opportunities to October. Keep an eye on your inbox for more webinars, trainings, exercises and resources to help establish and improve your cyber-preparedness!

(More opportunities are listed on page 3 of this newsletter.)



### CISA's 4th Annual National Cybersecurity Summit

The Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) is hosting its 4th Annual, Virtual Cybersummit throughout the month of October. It is free to attend and will bring together stakeholders from across the country. Each Wednesday this month, CISA will host a new theme focused on CISA's mission to "Defend Today, Secure Tomorrow" with presentations from targeted leaders across government, academia, and industry.

This is a no-cost event and is open to everyone, but pre-registration is required. [Register for the summit here.](#)

Topics: (Visit the [summit FAQ page](#) for more info.)

- **October 6th:** Assembly Required: The Pieces of the Vulnerability Management Ecosystem
- **October 13th:** Collaborating for the Collective Defense
- **October 20th:** Team Awesome: The Cyber Workforce
- **October 27th:** The Cyber/Physical Convergence



Tampa Bay Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition

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### Upcoming Coalition Meetings

Pinellas CHAMP:  
October 1st

Pasco Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition:  
October 11th

Manatee CHAMP  
October 13th

Hernando County ESF-8 WG:  
October 14th

Sumter County ESF-8 WG:  
October 21st

Citrus County ESF-8 Working Group: October 27th

*For more info on attending these meetings, please reach out to the County Chairperson. Contact info is available on [our website.](#)*



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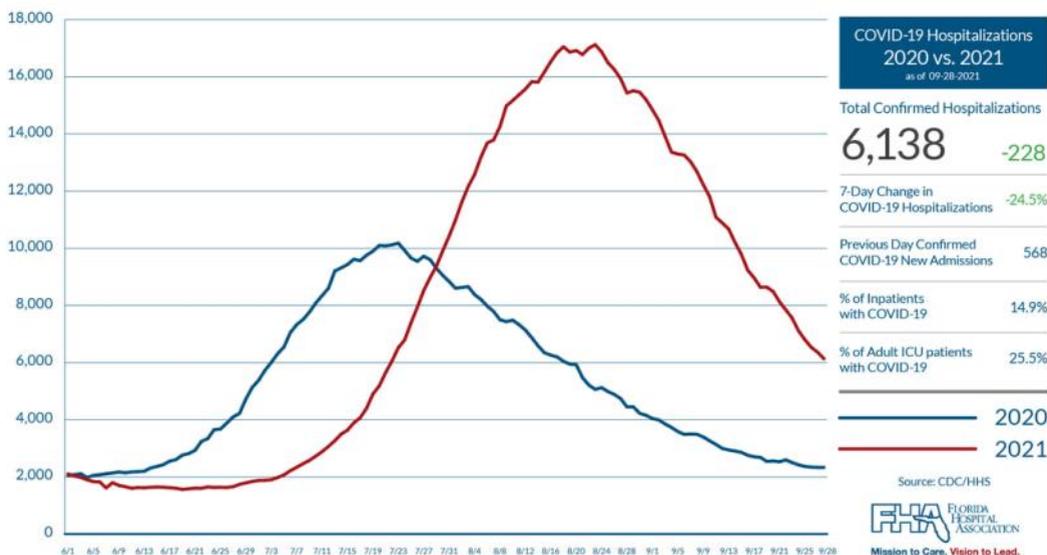
# TBHMPC COVID-19 SitRep #91

## TBHMPC Operations

The Tampa Bay Health & Medical Preparedness Coalition has continued to share relevant information with Coalition members and partners regarding COVID-19. We restarted weekly situation reports back in August, to provide situational awareness during this phase of the COVID-19 response. Due to stabilization of impacts to the health care community and decreases in cases and hospitalizations, we will be discontinuing our weekly SitReps with this report. Should impacts to the health and medical system change, we will re-evaluate the need for Situation Reports. Monthly newsletters will continue to be released on the first Friday of each month.

This newsletter combines monthly information we normally provide with weekly info for **COVID-19 Situation Report #91**, for the week ending October 1st. This will be final Sit Rep for this portion of the COVID-19 response.

**FHA Hospital Update:** (Graphs are from 9/28, most recent available at SitRep publication.)



## COVID-19 Cases in our Local School Districts

Here are the School District Websites tracking COVID-19 stats, including cases in student and staff populations, etc.

- [Citrus](#)
- [Hardee](#)
- [Hernando](#)
- [Hillsborough](#)
- [Manatee](#)
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- [Pinellas](#)
- [Polk](#)
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## October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month, Continued.

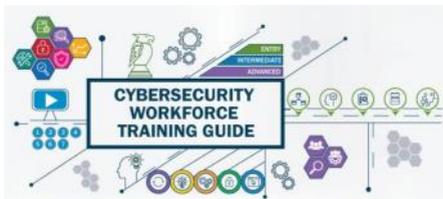
### 8th Annual Cyber Symposium with UNF & FBI Jacksonville

On **October 18th**, the University of North Florida and FBI Jacksonville will host their 8th annual Cyber Symposium in the Herbert University Center and via webinar. Topics will include ransomware, business email compromise, cryptocurrency, SIM swapping, and other topics. Register here: [UNF - Cyber Security Symposium](#). This symposium is all about cybersecurity across the 16 sectors of critical infrastructure so will apply to healthcare & public health; this is a great option for any interested healthcare organizations. Attendance is nearly unlimited for the virtual option.



### Cybersecurity Workforce Training Guide

CISA's downloadable [Cybersecurity Workforce Training Guide](#) is for current and future federal and state, local, tribal, and territorial (SLTT) cybersecurity/IT professionals. The Guide helps staff develop a training plan based on their current skill level and desired career path. CISA offers over 100 training courses and certification prep materials as well as cybersecurity resources from across the federal government to help professionals stay current and advance their careers.



### USDOT Cybersecurity Summit 2021

In recognition of Cybersecurity Awareness Month, throughout the month of October, the U.S. Department of Transportation Offices of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) and Chief Information Security Officer will be hosting the 2021 Cybersecurity Symposium. This month-long virtual event includes three learning tracks and a vendor exhibit hall. [Register here](#). (These sessions fall in the mornings of **each Wednesday in October**, prior to the CISA Cybersecurity Summit sessions in the afternoons.)

Track 1: Cyber Essentials (Information System Security Officers, System Owners, and Others)

Track 2: Cybersecurity Awareness and Solutions

Track 3: On Demand Sessions (National Cybersecurity Alliance and Other Videos.)



### Want to Learn More at Your Own Pace?

If you want to learn more about Cybersecurity at your own pace, there are several DHS/FEMA-funded, online courses you can take, through the National Cybersecurity Preparedness Consortium and its members (like [TEEX](#), the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service). Here are just a few online course offerings:

- [AWR175—Information Security for Everyone](#)—10 hour online course through TEEX
- [AWR174—Cyber Ethics](#)—13 hour online course through TEEX
- [AWR396—Network Security for Homes & Small Businesses](#)—2 hour online course with TEEX
- [AWR366—Developing a Cyber Security Annex for Incident Response](#)—6 hour online course through TEEX
- [AWR368—Introduction to Basic Vulnerability Assessment Skills](#)—7.5 hour online course through TEEX

## Upcoming Trainings & Events

### N-95 Fit Testing Train-the-Trainer for Healthcare Courses

You asked and we heard you! We are offering five sessions of N-95 Fit Testing Train-the-Trainer Courses in the region this month. The goal is to allow your organization to be self-sufficient in your fit-testing capabilities. Attendees should be the individuals responsible for fit-testing at your organization. (We are limiting it to one per organization for now. If we still have space closer to training dates, we will remove that limitation.)

- [Monday, October 11th from 9am-11am](#)—We are partnering with Sunstar Paramedics to offer this course at Pinellas County EMS & Fire Administration in Largo. (Max 25 participants)
- [Tuesday, October 12th](#) at the FDOH Lab in Tampa at 8am-12pm OR 1pm-5pm (Max 12 participants per class)
- [Wednesday, October 13th](#) at FDOH in Hernando County in Spring Hill at 8am-12pm OR 1pm-5pm (Max 12 participants per class)

### Federal Consortia Training for Florida Health Care Coalitions

The Health Care Coalitions in Florida have joined together, under the leadership of the Northeast Florida Health Care Coalition, to offer a variety of courses from federal-level training consortia. Our October offerings are listed below, so you can check your calendars and click on the dates below to get registered soon! You can also access these and November/December offerings on [FloridaHCC.org](http://FloridaHCC.org)!

- [October 5](#) – Hospital Incident Command Systems (AWR-934-V7), 2-hour class (10am to 12pm Eastern). Provider – Center for Domestic Preparedness
- [October 8](#) – Healthcare Facility Preparedness (AWR-934-V8), 1.25-hour class (10am to 11:15am Eastern). Provider – Center for Domestic Preparedness
- [October 12](#) – Federal, State, and Local Roles in Medical Emergency Response (AWR-934-V5), 1.25-hour class (10am to 11:15am Eastern). Provider – Center for Domestic Preparedness
- [October 14](#) – Natural Disaster Awareness for Caregivers (AWR-308), 4-hour class (12:30 to 4:30pm Eastern), Provider – National Disaster Preparedness Training Center
- [October 19](#) – Hurricane Awareness (AWR-343), 4-hour class (12:30 to 4:30pm Eastern). Provider – National Disaster Preparedness Training Center
- [October 25 & 26](#) – Healthcare Sector Emergency Preparedness I (AWR-336), 8-hour class (12:30 to 4:30pm Eastern, each day). Provider – Center for Domestic Preparedness



**AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION**

### AHCA Joint Training for Skilled Nursing Facilities—October 18th in Tampa

The AHCA 2021 Joint Training for Skilled Nursing Facilities offers the unique opportunity for providers, advocates and state surveyors to hear from Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) leadership, as well as leading long term care experts, on current regulatory compliance requirements and details of enforcement provisions. Featured speakers include representatives from the AHCA Division of Health Quality Assurance, the Florida Department of Health, Alliant Quality and Florida Long Term Care Ombudsman Program. [Click here for more info.](#)

### AHCA Joint Training for Assisted Living Facilities—October 19th in Tampa

The AHCA 2021 Joint Training for Assisted Living Facilities offers interpretations of regulatory compliance by leaders from the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA). Clinical and legal professionals will also highlight best practice guidelines and professional guidance. Featured speakers include representatives from the AHCA Division of Health Quality Assurance, regulatory expert Karen Goldsmith, the Florida Department of Health and Florida Long Term Care Ombudsman Program. [Click here for more info.](#)

## Virtual Hospital Emergency Response Training (HERT-B-2) for Mass Casualty Incidents with Johns Hopkins All Children's Hospital

The Hospital Emergency Response Training for Mass Casualty Incidents (HERT) course will be offered **Wednesday, October 20th from 8am—5pm** and addresses healthcare response at the operations level. This 8-hour virtual course is intended for healthcare responders such as physicians, nurses, administrators, security personnel, environmental staff, and other hospital staff.

[More info and register here.](#)



## Leading in Public Health: COVID-19 and PTSD in the Workforce

In this powerful conversation, Sebastian Junger, award-winning journalist, director, and best-selling author of *The Perfect Storm* and *TRIBE* will engage the audience in an emotionally compelling and vivid portrait of the impact of post-traumatic stress. He will examine the parallels of our military veterans to that of our front-line service providers and health department staff in the response to COVID-19. This webinar will take place **Wednesday, October 20th at 1:30pm ET**.

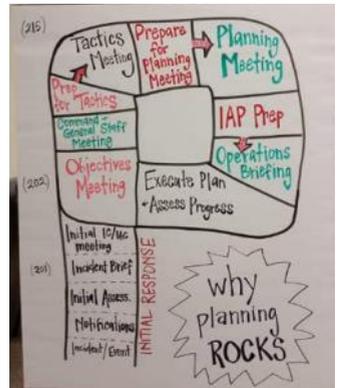
[More info here.](#)

**MGT-348 Management of Medical Preparedness & Response to Bombing Incidents** is being hosted by Pasco County Emergency Management at the EOC on **Tuesday and Wednesday, October 26th & 27th**. Participants representing jurisdictional and health care facility supervisory, command, and emergency planning staff participate in traditional didactic and facilitated instructional techniques designed to study the London Subway bombing and related support modules for salient pre- and post-event strategic planning roles, lessons learned, best practices, and local policies related to identification of targets, explosive characteristics, and general pre- and post-detonation aspects of a bombing event. [Register on SERT TRAC.](#)

**MGT-319 Medical Countermeasures Point of Dispensing (POD) Planning and Response** is being hosted by Manatee County Emergency Management on **November 3rd and 4th, 2021**. This is a U.S. Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS/FEMA)-certified course intended for participants within a community (from volunteers to skilled professionals) that respond to a medical surge and medical countermeasures event. [More info & registration available here.](#) **If you'd like to attend, please register ASAP to ensure the class will be held.**

## Intermediate & Advanced ICS Courses in our Region

- **G-300: Intermediate Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents** is being offered in-person on **October 20th—22nd** at 333 S. Franklin Street in Tampa.
- **G-400: Advanced Incident Command System Command & General Staff: Complex Incidents** is being offered in-person at the Polk EOC in Winter Haven on **October 26th & 27th** and in downtown Tampa on **November 9th & 10th**.
- **G-402: Incident Command System, Overview for Executives and Senior Officials** is being offered in-person at the St. Petersburg Water Resources Building on **October 27th**.



## Other Upcoming Emergency Preparedness & Infectious Disease Trainings

These trainings are being shared with us by the Southwest Florida Healthcare Coalition.

- **Infectious Disease Training on Waterborne Diseases (Virtual):** Thursday, October 21st from 9am-11am. [Register here.](#)
- **Infectious Disease Training on PPE Optimization & More (Virtual):** Wednesday, October 27th from 2pm-4pm. [Register here.](#)
- **Infectious Disease Training on Environmental Cleaning & Waste Management (Virtual):** Tuesday, November 9th from 9:30am-11:30am. [Register here.](#)
- **Hospital and Nursing Home Incident Command System (Virtual):** Tuesday, November 16th from 10am—12pm. [Register here.](#)
- **Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan Training (Virtual):** Thursday, December 2nd from 9am—11am. [Register here.](#)
- **Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) Training (Virtual):** Wednesday, December 8th from 1pm—3pm. [Register here.](#)

## Member Highlights

### Center for Independent Living of North Central Florida

Kevin Towles was busy at work in Sumter County. He assisted Lake Panasoffkee Methodist Church and Bushnell Community Center with their local food drives. Over 5,000 pounds of food was distributed in Bushnell! He made sure to promote CILNCF by handing out brochures during the food drives.



Thank you, Kevin, for all that you do for the community and our consumers in need.



### Beach Access Mats Will Make Pinellas County Beaches Accessible for All!

One in seven people has a mobility issue — from being wheelchair bound, to missing limbs, to bad knees and hips.

Right now, Treasure Island is one of the only beaches in Pinellas County, and one of only 30 locations statewide, that has a mobility mat.

“We have the most beautiful beaches in the world, and we need to make them accessible not just for six out of seven, but seven out of seven,” said Jody Armstrong, director of outreach at the Disability Achievement Center.

She’s been advocating for these mats on all Pinellas County beaches for years, and now is teaming up with the local nonprofit Help Us Gather, and private foundation The Forward Foundation, to make it happen.

“This is a gift,” said Armstrong. “This is a gift for Pinellas County and we have to take it up. We have to.” Read more [here](#).



**We want to hear from you!**

If you would like to share a highlight or best practice from your organization in a future Coalition newsletter or publication, please email it to Turea at [TBHMPC2@gmail.com](mailto:TBHMPC2@gmail.com).

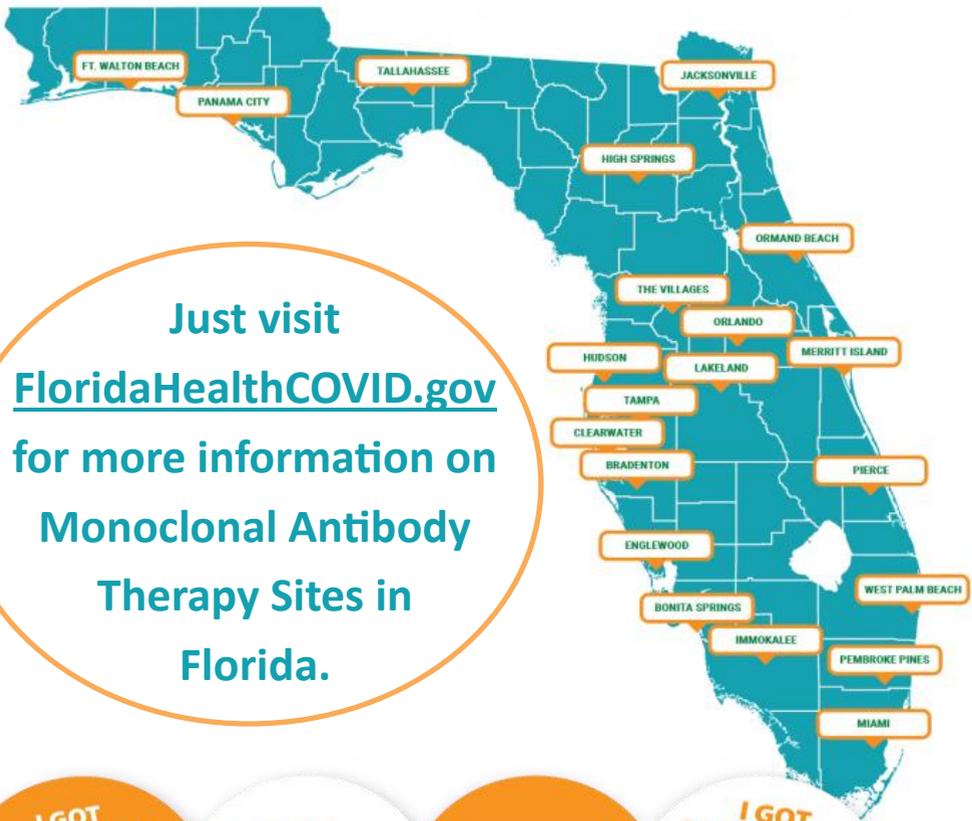
## Monoclonal Antibody Therapy & Locations

Monoclonal antibody treatments (MAB), also known as Regneron, can prevent hospitalization or death in high-risk patients with COVID-19 and are widely available in Florida. If you are 12 years and older and are at high risk for severe illness due to COVID-19, you are eligible for this treatment. Treatment is free and vaccination status does not matter. There is currently a standing order in Florida signed by the State Surgeon General that allows patients to receive this treatment without a prescription or referral if administered by an eligible health care provider. Such referrals are not required at any of the State of Florida monoclonal antibody treatment sites and treatments are available at no cost to patients.

State-sponsored sites in our region: (To find info on statewide therapy locations, [click here.](#))

- Hillsborough County—Kings Forest Park, 8008 East Chelsea Street, Tampa. 9am—5pm daily.
- Manatee County- Manatee Memorial Hospital Complex, 206 2nd Street East, Bradenton. Open daily 9 AM to 5 PM
- Pasco County—Fasano Regional Shelter, 11611 Denton Avenue, Hudson. 9am—5pm daily.
- Pinellas County—Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, 409 South Old Coachman Road, Clearwater. Open Monday – Saturday 9 AM to 5 PM
- Polk County- Church at the Mall, 1010 East Memorial Boulevard, Lakeland. Open daily 9 AM to 5 PM
- Sumter County- Barnstorm Theater, 2720 Brownwood Boulevard, The Villages. Open daily 9 AM to 5 PM
- To make an appointment at either of these (or other state sites) [click here.](#) Additional state sites will be coming on line soon. Many hospitals and other medical facilities/offices are also offering this treatment. Click [here and search near you](#) for additional options.

The Florida Division of Emergency Management has produced guidance documents for local governments with regards to [potential funding sources for MAB sites](#), and a [resource request flow chart](#).



# COVID-19 Vaccine & Testing Sites

- ◇ Use the [Florida Vaccine Locator](#) to find a site near you. Vaccines are available at many commercial pharmacies, medical clinics, offices and all county health departments.
- ◇ Homebound Vaccinations:
  - ⇒ DeliverRxd Pharmacy in Tampa offers at home delivery COVID-19 Vaccinations at no cost. Booster dose available to those who are immunocompromised. Call to make an appointment: (813) 932-6266. Visit [their website](#) for more info.
  - ⇒ Homebound COVID –19 Vaccination Program is also available at [HomeboundVaccine@em.myflorida.com](#) or (833) 930-3672.
- ◇ [CVS Pharmacy](#), [Walgreens](#), [Publix](#), [Walmart](#), [Sam’s Club](#), [Winn-Dixie](#), and [Costco](#) are offering vaccinations and/or testing at many locations throughout the region.
- ◇ **Citrus**
  - ⇒ COVID-19 Vaccination available at the UF/IFAS Extension, 3650 Sovereign Path in Lecanto. Click [here for the full schedule and details](#).
  - ⇒ Testing—Nomi Health will provide no-cost COVID-19 testing starting 9/16 at the Central Ridge Community Center, 77 Civic Circle in Beverly Hills. This drive-thru site is open M-F from 7am-7pm and Sat & Sun from 8am-5pm. Appointments are recommended—[schedule here](#). Both rapid and PCR will be available while supplies last.
  - ⇒ Langley Health Services– To schedule an appointment for vaccine or testing, please call 352-419-5760 EXT: 4818. More information [HERE](#).
  - ⇒ Additional Testing Locations:
    - [Brashear’s Pharmacy](#) (Inverness Only) - Rapid antigen testing, no appt needed
    - G & R Pharmacy—Rapid test, appt needed, 352-527-3111
    - [Quick Care Med](#)—Rapid and PCR test, appointment needed
    - Citrus Care Clinic in Crystal River, 352-794-6385
    - [B&W Rexall Drugs](#) in Inverness, 352-726-1021
- ◇ **Hardee**
  - ⇒ Vaccine- Florida Department of Health in Hardee County, 115 K.D. Revell Road, Wauchula, FL 33873. Thursday 9 am to 11 pm; Friday 1pm to 3 pm
  - ⇒ Free COVID testing by appointment only. Please call 863-773-4161. 115 K.D. Revell Road, Wauchula, FL 33873. Monday– Thursday 8:30AM- 3:00 PM. Friday 8:30AM-10AM.
  - ⇒ Central Florida Health Care, 121 K.D Revell Road, Wauchula, FL Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm. Phone number: 1-866-234-8534
  - ⇒ Prompt Care, 524 Carlton Street, Wauchula, FL. Phone number: 863-767-8333
- ◇ **Hernando**
  - ⇒ Vaccine—Use [Florida Vaccine Locator](#).
  - ⇒ Testing - [COVID-19 Testing Sites in Hernando County](#)
    - Get tested at the Hernando County Fairgrounds, 6436 Broad Street in Brooksville. [Appt recommended](#) (not required). 7am—7pm daily.
- ◇ **Hillsborough**
  - ⇒ **NEW!** New site for Free Pfizer Booster Shots, Vaccination, and Testing will open Monday, October 4th at Progress Village Park in Tampa (8701 Progress Blvd, Tampa, 33619). It will be open from 8am-5pm Mon-Fri. Appt needed for vaccine or booster—[schedule here](#). Walk-ups accepted for testing (PCR & rapid antigen).
  - ⇒ [COVID-19 Vaccination Info for Hillsborough County](#)
    - Vaccine—Lee Davis Community Resource Center, 3402 N 22nd St in Tampa, 9am-5pm
  - ⇒ [COVID-19 Testing Info for Hillsborough County](#)

- Testing Locations: The following temporary locations will open on Saturday, Aug. 7 and will be open seven days a week from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. **No appointments needed.**
  - ◆ Palm River Park Community Center, 725 S. 58th St., Tampa, FL 33619
  - ◆ Code Enforcement Complex, 1101 E. 139th Ave., Tampa, FL 3
  - ◆ Cordelia B. Hunt Center at Al Lopez Park, 4602 N Himes Ave, Tampa FL 33614
  - ◆ Albert “Al” Barnes Park, 2902 N 32nd Street, Tampa, FL 33605

#### ◇ Manatee

Get vaccinated.

Wear a mask.

⇒ Vaccines—Use [Florida Vaccine Locator](#).

⇒ [COVID-19 Testing Sites for Manatee County](#)



- Free Testing at the Bradenton Area Convention Center, 1 Haben Blvd in Palmetto. Open 7am—7pm daily. Walk-up operation, no appointment needed. Government-issued photo to ID is required.

#### ◇ Pasco

⇒ Vaccines—COVID-19 Vaccination appointments are available Thursdays only from 8:00 a.m. – 4pm at 13941 15th, Dade City, FL 33525 and at 10841 Little Rd., New Port Richey, FL 34654. [More information here.](#)

⇒ [COVID-19 Testing Sites in Pasco County](#)

- DOH-Pasco has partnered with Nomi Health to provide drive-thru COVID-19 (PCR) testing at the Gulf View Square Mall in Port Richey 7 days a week from 7 am–7 pm. Appointments are not required, but highly recommended. [Make an appointment here.](#)

#### ◇ Pinellas

⇒ [COVID-19 Vaccination Sites in Pinellas County](#)

- **DeliveRxd Pharmacy has a large vaccination team that they can send to healthcare facilities in order to vaccinate your residents and employees for booster shots.** COVID vaccination services are provided free of charge to the patient and the facility as it is fully covered by medical insurance or the government for uninsured patients. To get your facility scheduled to receive the Booster Pfizer vaccines, please call DeliveRxd Pharmacy at 813-932-6266.

⇒ [COVID-19 Testing Locations in Pinellas County](#)

- FDOH in Pinellas has opened a **new walk-up testing site in Mid-County**, at 7150 114th Avenue in Largo (north of Bryan Dairy Rd and east of Belcher Road). It is open from 9am—5pm daily.
- FDOH in Pinellas is offering free walk-up testing (rapid and PCR) at the Center for Health Equity, 2333 34th Street South in St. Petersburg. Open 9am – 5pm, Mon-Fri.

#### ◇ Polk

⇒ [COVID-19 Vaccination Sites in Polk County](#)

⇒ [COVID-19 Testing Sites in Polk County](#)



Stay 6 feet from others, and avoid crowds.

Wash hands often.

#### ◇ Sumter

⇒ Vaccines at Sumter County Health Department—Appt required. Call 352-569-3102 to schedule.

⇒ Langley Health Services— To schedule an appointment for vaccination or testing, please call 352-569-2992. More information [here.](#)

⇒ COVID Testing Sites

- Curative Testing is at 415 E. Noble Ave in Bushnell, Monday—Friday, 8am—4:30pm.
- Stat Lab Mobile at The Villages Public Library at Belvedere, 325 Belvedere Blvd in The Villages, Monday, Wednesday & Friday, 9am-5pm. [Book appointments here.](#)