## WHERE WE ARE TODAY

### Current Values (data through 1/26/21)

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Measure</th>
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<td>Level of Community Spread</td>
<td>Daily case rate</td>
<td>29.7 (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Rate of transmission</td>
<td>0.81 (Jan 16)</td>
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<td>Test positivity rate</td>
<td>5.4% (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>New cases from quarantined contacts</td>
<td>13.4% (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Health System Capacity</td>
<td>Percent hospital utilization</td>
<td>88.2% (Jan 26)</td>
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<td>Percent COVID-19 patients</td>
<td>11.8% (Jan 26)</td>
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<td>Mean test turnaround time</td>
<td>1.9 (Jan 26)</td>
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<td>Diagnostic tests conducted</td>
<td>7,253 (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Public Health System Capacity</td>
<td>Positive cases with contact attempt</td>
<td>99.5% (Jan 25)</td>
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<td>Close contacts with contact attempt</td>
<td>95.8% (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Community Engagement</td>
<td>Positive cases interviewed</td>
<td>76.0% (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Positive cases who provide close contacts</td>
<td>44.9% (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Mean number close contacts provided</td>
<td>1.1 (Jan 24)</td>
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<td>Exposure Notification Opt-in</td>
<td>596,740 (Jan 26)</td>
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<td>Correct mask-wearing</td>
<td>72.6% (Jan 14)</td>
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<td>Percent full COVID-19 vaccine coverage</td>
<td>0.6% (Jan 23)</td>
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January 28, 2021
This week, the Biden Administration committed to increasing the District’s vaccine allocation by 15% for the next three weeks. We recognize this announcement as a promising indicator of the new Administration’s commitment to increasing the supply of the COVID-19 vaccine, and we will continue to advocate for more doses for DC.
VACCINE DISTRIBUTION

DC IS NOW VACCINATING:

- Individuals who work in health care settings*
- Members of the Fire and Emergency Medical Services Department
- Residents of long-term and intermediate care facilities and residents of community residential facilities/group homes
- DC residents who are 65 years old and older*
- Individuals experiencing homelessness
- Members of the Metropolitan Police Department
- Teachers and staff who are, or will be, working in person at a DCPS school or a DC public charter school
- Department of Corrections employees
- Continuity Government Operations personnel

*populations that are able to make appointments through vaccinate.dc.gov or by calling the Coronavirus Call Center (when appointments are available)
Earlier this week, the Office of the State Superintendent of Education also contacted licensed childcare providers and private and independent school leaders to begin collecting contact information for in-person staff to ensure that as vaccine supply allows, the District can work quickly to make appointments available to eligible staff.
DC Health and the Office of the Chief Technology Officer continue working together, using feedback from the community, to improve the process of booking a vaccination appointment through vaccinate.dc.gov and the Coronavirus Call Center.

Improvements made to vaccinate.dc.gov after January 13 include:

- **Removal of CAPTCHA during the booking process:** the only remaining CAPTCHA (with enhanced performance) is during the initial screening and is required to secure the site.

- **Increased site resources:** the site was moved to better infrastructure to support the numbers of users clicking on the site at one time and to increase the speed of confirmation email delivery.

- **Removal of the “change booking” capability:** this functionality was removed since new appointments could not be guaranteed and the user did not know if other appointments were available until having already canceled their appointment.
Improvements that went into effect today include:

- **Enhanced vaccination site management:** the website will automatically hide vaccination sites where all appointments are booked; previously, this was manually performed and would lead to the public seeing sites without available appointments.

- **Streamlined process:** the removal of questions regarding insurance information will further streamline the process of booking an appointment.

- **Site navigation improvements:** updated help text and easier to understand buttons will make the website easier to navigate.

- **Additional confirmation options:** users will now have the option to print a confirmation page in lieu of showing an email.

DC Health has also more than quadrupled the number of call takers who will be available on mornings when appointments become available, to more than 200 call takers.
COVID-19 TESTING UPDATE

DC Health and the Downtown and Golden Triangle BIDs are partnering to offer additional free COVID-19 testing to DC’s community of essential workers through a new pop-up testing site on I Street NW near the intersection of Black Lives Matter Plaza.

Those eligible to get tested include hotel staff, restaurant workers, building engineers, environmental service staff, janitorial staff, security staff, and any individual unable to perform their daily work from home.

Mondays: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Tuesdays: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Thursdays: 2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

This site is in addition to the other free public testing sites.
RECOVERY UPDATE
This week, we introduced the Reopen Washington, DC Alcohol Act.

The legislation proposes several innovative approaches to help rebuild the District’s economy by providing businesses and patrons with expanded opportunities; bringing essential services, including new full-service grocery stores, to Wards 7 and 8; and maintaining DC’s reputation as a top destination to live, work, and dine out.

Proposed provisions in the Reopen Washington, DC Alcohol Act include:

- Extending programs introduced on an emergency basis, including Streateries
- Establishing a Commercial Lifestyle License that allows patrons to walk around and consume alcohol purchased from on-premises establishments within predefined boundaries
- Creating a new 25 percent full-service grocery store Class A License to help attract new full service grocery stores to Wards 7 and 8; applicants interested in using this license to open a Class A grocery store in Wards 1-6 must first operate such a store in Wards 7 and 8 for at least six months
- Amending several licensing operational requirements

Read the full text of the bill at mayor.dc.gov
The Bowser Administration and Events DC announced the launch of Phase 2 of the **DC CARES Program**, which will provide over **$8 million in relief funding** to eligible excluded workers in the District of Columbia.

The additional aid supplements the **$5 million in relief** provided in June.
HOSPITAL UPDATE
A new Urgent Care facility is coming to the Maple View Flats.

This is a critical step in expanding access to high quality health care in neighborhoods east of the Anacostia River. The location of a second Urgent Care facility, to be located in Ward 7, will be announced this spring and will open in 2022.

The new facility will open in late 2021 and provide standard urgent care outpatient services.
The design and engineering will be completed by two of the largest and most prestigious national and local firms, HOK and McKissack & McMissack. In addition, the team of HOK/McKissack & McKissack will invest 40% of the project with local CBEs, ensuring local businesses benefit from and play an integral role in the project.

With the design team in place, **UHS and the District will move into the next phase of the project**, which includes planning for the new hospital and ambulatory center’s design, community engagement, and the selection of a construction management team.

**The $375 million project remains on schedule to open in late 2024.**