



Assemblymember
RODNEYSE BICHOTTE
Brooklyn Democratic County Leader



COVID-19 Updates

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FACE MASK GUIDANCE

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CDC Updates Mask Guidelines for Fully Vaccinated Individuals

Amid Coronavirus Pandemic

NYC Mayor Announces Food Vouchers for Vaccinated Individuals;
NYS Assembly Passes Absentee Ballot Legislation; Press Conference
for Romy Vilsaint; and more!

VACCINE PROGRESS

NYS First Doses: 9,829,012
NYS Completed Series: 8,146,062
Brooklyn First Does: 1,073,386
Brooklyn Completed Series: 855,591

COVID-19 CASES & FATALITIES

NYS Confirmed: 2,065,533
NYS Deaths: 42,417
NYC Confirmed: 926,650
Brooklyn Confirmed: 272,508

RODNEYSE IN THE NEWS



Photo credit: ABC 7

Justice for Romy Vilsaint Press Conference

- **ABC7 NY:** Boy who was fatally punched had been bullied at Brooklyn school, family says. Read more [here](#).
- **NY Daily News:** Devastated family of 12-year-old Brooklyn student who died after school bullying demand answers. Read more [here](#).
- **Yahoo:** Raw Video: Family demands justice for bullied boy. Read more [here](#).
- **BK Reader:** Family of 12-yr-Old Flatbush Boy Who Died at the Hands of Bullies Seeks Justice, Answers From the City and DOE. Read more [here](#).
- **BK Reader:** NY State Assembly Floats New Bill to Make Diwali an Official School Holiday. Read more [here](#).
- **News Break:** Boy who was fatally punched had been bullied at Brooklyn school, family says. Read more [here](#).

Diwali

- **News India Times:** Bill to make Diwali official holiday in New York gets closer to reality. Read more [here](#).
- **BK Reader:** New York Assembly Floats New Bill to Make Diwali Official School Holiday. Read more [here](#).

Menthol Tobacco Ban

- **The PEW Charitable Trusts:** As Feds Push Menthol Cigarette Ban, States Weigh Broader Measures. Read more [here](#).

ROMY VILSAINT PRESS CONFERENCE

Today, **Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn, Council Member Farah N. Louis, District Leader Josue Pierre and District Leader Edu Hermelyn** joined the family of **Romy Vilsaint** and their attorney, **Nicholas Papain** for a conference to demand answers and an independent investigation surrounding the passing of 12-year-old Romy Vilsaint after reports of attacks and bullying. Read the press release [here](#).



Photo Credit: BK Reader; The Vilsaint family, Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn, District Leader Josue Pierre, and press conference attendees.



Photo Credit: Theodore Parisienne/New York Daily News; Romy's uncle delivering remarks.



Photo Credit: ABC 7; Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn addressing the crowd.



Photo Credit: BK Reader; Council Member Farah N. Louis addressing the crowd.

LEGISLATION



The Assembly Majority passed legislation to

***strengthen our democracy and make
it easier for New Yorkers to vote.***



This week, the **New York State Assembly Majority** passed legislation to strengthen our democracy and make it easier for New Yorkers to vote. Two of Assemblymember Bichotte Hermelyn bills were passed. Bill [A.6046](#) to provide an additional method of requesting absentee ballots through electronic means and bill [A.6047A](#) to temporarily eliminate the need to request an absentee ballot via a signed absentee ballot application. This bill also allows absentee ballots with a postmark/cancellation mark by the day of election to be rendered a timely ballot.

“These bills will make it easier for New Yorkers to vote using an absentee ballot,” **Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn** said. “By allowing voters to use electronic means to request a ballot, and allowing ballots postmarked on Election Day to be counted, we will help ensure that all voters’ voices are heard and counted.”

NYS: GOVERNOR CUOMO



Photo Credit: NYC Parks

- **Governor Cuomo** announced that New York State is launching a new "**Reimagine, Rebuild, Renew**" multimedia campaign designed to support the state's reopening and economic recovery efforts. Read more [here](#).
- The governor announced the launch of the **Round XI of the Regional Economic Development Council initiative**.
 - The **2021** funding round includes more than **\$750 million** in state economic development resources.
 - The Consolidated Funding Application will open on **May 10**, enabling businesses, municipalities, not-for-profits and the public to begin applying for assistance from dozens of state programs for job-creation and community development projects. Read more [here](#).
- This week, the governor signed legislation ([S.1453-B/A.6255-A](#)) **extending a moratorium** that prevents **utility companies** from disconnecting utilities to residential households and small businesses that are struggling with their bills due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Read more [here](#).
- The governor also signed legislation ([S.5923-A/A.6617-A](#)) protecting New Yorkers' COVID-19 **stimulus payments** from being garnished by debt collectors.
 - All relief payments to New Yorkers under these federal acts, including stimulus payments, tax refunds, rebates, and tax credits to support individuals and children qualified for or received

prior to the effective date, will be protected. Read more [here](#).

- The governor announced that **50 percent** of New Yorkers who are **18 and older** have completed the COVID-19 vaccine series. Read more [here](#).
 - More than **8 million** people have been fully vaccinated for COVID-19 in New York State. Read more [here](#).
- **Governor Cuomo** announced that **beaches** and **pools** will operate with six-foot social distancing in anticipation of Memorial Day. New York State's goal is to reopen them to 100 percent capacity by **July 4**. Read more [here](#).

NYC: MAYOR DE BLASIO



Photo Credit: Ed Reed/Mayoral Photography Office

- **Mayor de Blasio** announced that New Yorkers can get a voucher for a free **burger or sandwich** if they show proof of receiving their COVID-19 vaccine at a NYC mobile vaccine clinic. Read more [here](#).
 - This year, Global Citizen Live and the Governors Ball at Citi Field will be back. The mayor stated if you get vaccinated, you will have an opportunity to win free tickets to these amazing music festivals.
- This week, the mayor appointed **Rachel Loeb** the President and CEO of the **New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC)**.

- The mayor announced “**Open Boulevards,**” a new program to enhance and expand 10 multi-block corridors to create dining destination experiences throughout the city. Read more [here](#).

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT



Photo Credit: News Radio KLBJ

- **President Biden** urged parents to get their children vaccinated, shortly before the CDC approved the use of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for adolescents ages 12 to 15. Read more [here](#).
- On Thursday, the **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention** announced that fully vaccinated people could start taking off their masks indoors. Read more [here](#).
 - This new recommendation caught state officials and businesses by surprise and raised a host of difficult questions about how the guidelines would be carried out. Read more [here](#).
- President Biden urged out-of-work Americans to accept job offers if they are able to work or else they may lose their unemployment benefits. Read more [here](#).
- **McDonald's** is teaming up with the Biden administration to raise [COVID-19](#) vaccine awareness and help customers find vaccine appointments near them. Read more [here](#).

COVID-19 VACCINE EQUITY PARTNER ENGAGEMENT PROJECT RFP

Fund for Public Health NYC

Photo Credit: Fund for Public Health NYC

- The **Fund for Public Health NYC** extends opportunities to external partners to support the mission of the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. On behalf of the Health Department, FPHNYC is responsible for issuing competitive solicitations by releasing the announcement and coordinating the application process while the Health Department remains as the content experts. Read more [here](#).
- In an effort to continue to prioritize most impacted communities, **preference will be given to organizations who have office locations – or serve- one of the 33 Taskforce on Racial Inclusion and Equity neighborhoods**, those with the lowest rates of vaccination, and those with a majority BIPOC staff and leadership. The deadline to apply is **June 1, 2021**.

**RANKED CHOICE VOTING
INFORMATIONAL WEBINAR**



Assemblymember
**Rodneyse
Bichotte Hermelyn**



In partnership with
Flatbush Development Corporation
present a

Ranked Choice Voting Informational Webinar

Join this webinar to learn the new way of voting in New York - ranking your candidates of choice
- and get other key updates to make your voting process smooth

THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021
6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **Registration is required.** ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jAhlcv2aQNOZPWhGR990qg

Questions may be submitted in advance at AD42@nyassembly.gov
Translations will be available: Spanish ★ Haitian Creole ★ Urdu



Presenters:



For more information on this event or any other community concerns, please contact the office of
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Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn in partnership with **Flatbush Development Corporation** is hosting a **Ranked Choice Voting Informational Webinar** on **Thursday, May 20th at 6:30 p.m.** Join this webinar to learn the new way of voting in New York – ranking your candidates of choice - and get other key updates to make your voting process smooth. Register [here](https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_jAhlcv2aQNOZPWhGR990qg).

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Today, **Assemblymember Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn, State Senator Kevin Parker, and Council Member Farah N. Louis** hosted a Guide to COVID-19 Relief for Houses of

Worship and Religious Schools virtual discussion with U.S. Majority Leader Chuck Schumer.



U.S. Majority Leader
Chuck Schumer



Assemblymember
Rodneyse Bichotte Hermelyn

BROOKLYN COVID-19 TESTING SITES



BROOKLYN TESTING SITES

H+H test site schedule/updates: bit.ly/HH_testsites

* NO-COST tests.

* ID/Insurance are not required.

Week of May 10 - May 16, 2021

ONGOING SITES (days/hours vary; for ages 2 & older)

DATE	HOURS	LOCATION	ADDRESS	ZIP	NEIGHBORHOOD	OTHER
Ongoing	Mon-Sat, 8a-4m, Sun, 8m-12p	Coney Island Hospital	2601 Ocean Parkway	11235	Coney Island	Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon-Fri, 9a-3:30p; Sat-Sun, 10a-2p	Gotham Health, Cumberland	100 North Portland Avenue	11205	Fort Greene	Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon-Fri: 8:30a-3:30p; Sat-Sun: 9a-2p	Gotham, Jonathan Williams Houses	333 Roebing Street	11211	Williamsburg	Also offers Antibody Tests
Ongoing	Mon-Sun, 9am-7pm	Starrett City	1279 Pennsylvania Ave	11239	Starrett City	Also has Rapid Molecular Tests
Ongoing	Mon-Fri, 7am-7pm; Sat: 8am-3pm; Sun, 8am-5pm	Kings County Hospital	451 Clarkson Ave. T-Building, Room T-110 1st floor (Corner Clarkson & New York Ave)	11203	East Flatbush	Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon - Sun, 8am - 3pm	Gotham Health, East New York	2094 Pitkin Avenue	11207	East New York	Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon - Sun, 9am-7pm	Midwood Pre-K	1223 Coney Island Avenue	11230	Midwood	Also has Rapid Molecular Tests
Ongoing	Mon - Sun, 9am-7pm	Borough Park	4002 Fort Hamilton Parkway	11218	Borough Park	Also has Rapid Molecular Tests
Ongoing	Mon - Sun, 9am-7pm	Canarsie Municipal Parking Lot	622 E 99th St (aka 1385 Rockaway Pkwy)	11236	Canarsie	Also offers Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon-Sun, 8:30am - 3:30pm	Woodhull Hospital	760 Broadway	11206	Bed-Stuy	Also offers Antibody Tests/Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon - Fri, 8:30am-4pm	Gotham Health, Homecrest	1601 Avenue B	11229	Homecrest	Also offers Antibody Tests
Ongoing	Mon - Sun, 9am-7pm	Bensonhurst 14th Ave	6315 14th Avenue	11219	Bensonhurst	Also has Rapid Molecular Tests
Ongoing	Mon - Sun, 9am-7pm	Bay Ridge 5th Ave	8511 & 8515 5th Avenue	11209	Bay Ridge	Also offers Rapid Antigen Tests/Flu Shots
Ongoing	Mon - Sat, 8am - 4pm; Sun, 8am-12pm	Ida G. Israel Community Health Ctr	2925 W 19th Street	11224	Coney Island	
Ongoing	Mon - Fri, 9am-5pm	Crown Heights	196 Albany Avenue	11213	Crown Heights	

SELF-TEST SITES (days/hours vary; for ages 4 & older)

DATE	HOURS	LOCATION	ADDRESS	ZIP	NEIGHBORHOOD	OTHER
May 10-13	Mon, 11a-4:30p; Tue-Thu, 10a-4:30p	Greenpoint Health Center	875 Manhattan Avenue	11222	Greenpoint	
May 10-13	Mon, 11a-4p; Tue-Thu, 9:30a-4p	Williamsburg (Adult Med)	279 Graham Avenue	11221	Williamsburg	
May 12-13	Wed-Thu, 10a-5p	BCA Sunset Park Senior Center	5007 7th Avenue	11220	Sunset Park	
5/11/21	Tue, 10a-5p	BCA Bensonhurst Senior Center	6809 20th Avenue	11204	Bensonhurst	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 10a-5p	Brooklyn Navy Yard	63 Flushing Ave, Building 92	11205	Navy Yard	
May 15	Sat, 10a-5p	AYITI Nou La Toujou	1377 Brooklyn Avenue	11203	East Flatbush	

PARTNER MOBILE SITES (ages 4 & older)

Due to parking issues, vans may be within 1-2 blocks away from this address. RapidPCR tests are available. Days and times vary.

DATE	HOURS	LOCATION	ADDRESS	ZIP	NEIGHBORHOOD	OTHER
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 9:30-4:30	NYCHA Marcy Houses	602 Park Avenue	11206	Williamsburg (South)	Entrance: corner of 6th and 7th, Marcy Houses Driveway Loop.
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	NYCHA Cypress Hills Houses	1250 Sutter Avenue	11208	Cypress Hills/ENY	Building #4 Parking Lot
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Bath Playground	2419 Bath Avenue #5328	11214	Bath Beach	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Marcy Plaza	Corner of Marcy Ave & Fulton Street	11216	Bed Stuy	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Leif Ericson Park	Corner of 8th Ave & 66th Street	11220	Bay Ridge	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Sunset Park BID	5116 5th Avenue 200-A	11220	Sunset Park	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Herman Dolgon Playground	Corner of Ave V & Brown Street	11229	Sheepshead Bay	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	NYCHA Sheepshead Bay Houses	Parking Lot behind 2935 Ave W	11229	Sheepshead Bay	entrance on Nostrand Ave
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Council of People's Organizations	1077 Coney Island Ave	11230	Flatbush	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Red Hook Park	Corner of Bay St & Columbia Street	11231	Kensington	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Sunset Park	Corner of 6th Avenue & 44th Street	11232	Sunset Park	
May 10-16	Mon-Sun, 8am - 7pm	NYCHA Ocean Hill Houses	15 Mother Gaston Blvd	11233	Ocean Hill	Corner of Mother Gaston Blvd & Sumpter Street
May 10-14	8am - 7pm	Brooklyn Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Center	3050 West 21st Street	11224	Coney Island	
May 10, 12-16	Mon & Wed-Sun, 8am - 7pm	Mckinley Park	Corner of 73rd Street and Fort Hamilton Parkway	11228	Dyker Heights	
May 11	8am - 7pm	Get Tested Tuesday (Crown Heights)	271 Ulca Ave	11213	Crown Heights	corner of Eastern Parkway
May 13	Thu, 8am - 7pm	Voces Latinas	4705 5th Ave, Brooklyn, NY	11220	Sunset Park	
May 15	8am - 7pm	Flatlands Reformed Church Community Center	3931 Kings Hwy	11210	Flatlands	

Here are the dates and times for NYC Health+Hospitals testing sites for the week of **May 10** to **May 16**. To find additional testing sites around NYC, visit [here](#).

COVID-19 VACCINATION SITES

**NYC VACCINE FOR ALL:
SAFE, FREE, EASY**



If you or someone you love would like to schedule an appointment for the **COVID-19 vaccine**, please visit [here](#) or call 1-833-NYS-4-VAX (1-833-697-4829).

COVID VACCINE SCAM ALERT

COVID Vaccine Scam Alert Be Aware



The COVID-19 Vaccine is FREE to individuals.

Do not pay anyone to register you for an appointment or to get the vaccine.

There is NO COST!

Report violations/fraud to 1-833-VAX-SCAM (1-833-829-7226)
or email STOPVAXFRAUD@health.ny.gov



DON'T FORGET YOUR MASK



Leaving home?

**Don't forget
your mask!**



MUTUAL AID NYC FOOD RESOURCES

MUTUAL AID NYC HOTLINE

Call the Mutual Aid NYC hotline during the times listed below for information about food resources, grocery delivery and other services in your neighborhood and beyond. The hotline is free, open to everyone and is available in 11 languages, including English.

Monday - Thursday: 2 PM - 8 PM Friday: 2 PM - 5 PM

ESPAÑOL

Llame a la línea telefónica de Ayuda Mútua NYC en los horarios listados más abajo para información relacionada con comida, entrega de la compra a domicilio y otros servicios en su barrio y otros barrios. La línea telefónica es gratuita, abierta a todo el mundo, y disponible en 11 idiomas, incluyendo Inglés y Español.

Lunes-Jueves: 2PM - 8PM Viernes: 2PM - 5PM

普通话

在下面列出的时间内，拨打纽约互助热线，以获取有关您附近及其他地区的食物资源，杂货配送和其他服务的信息。该热线是免费的，向所有人开放，并以11种语言提供，包括英语和中文。

星期一 - 星期四: 2 PM - 8 PM 星期五: 2 PM - 5 PM

বাংলা

দয়া করে মিউচুয়াল এইড NYC হটলাইনে ফোন করুন নিম্নলিখিত নির্দিষ্ট সময়গুলোতে আরও জানতে খাদ্য সম্পদ, মুদি সরবরাহ (গ্রোসারি ডেলিভারি) এবং অন্যান্য সেবার বিষয় যেগুলো আপনার পাড়ায় উপলব্ধ। এই হটলাইনটি সকলের জন্যে এগারোটি ভাষায় বিনামূল্যে প্রস্তুত (ইংরেজি এবং বাংলায়)।

সোম - বৃহস্পতিবার: ২ - ৮ p.m. শুক্রবার: ২ - ৫ p.m.

FRANÇAIS

Appeler la Mutual Aid NYC directe ligne durant les temps listés en dessous pour les informations concernant les ressources alimentaires, pour la livraison de vos condiments et autres besoins dans votre quartier ou en dehors. La ligne directe est gratuite, ouverte à toute personne et disponible dans 11 différentes langues en plus du français.

Lundi - Jeudi: 14h - 20h Vendredi: 14h - 17h

العربية

خلال الساعات المدرجة أدناه لتجد NYC اتصل بخط ساخن ميوتشوال أيد المعلومات عن الموارد الغذائية وخدمات توصيل منتجات البقالة والخدمات الأخرى في حيك والأحياء الأخرى. هذا الخط الساخن مجاني ومفتوح للجميع ومتاح بـ 11 لغة بما في ذلك اللغة الإنجليزية و لغتك الإثنى حتى الخميس: 2م-8م الجمعة: 2م-5م

CREOLE

Rele Mutual Aid NYC liy dirèk pandan tan ki nan lis anba a pou enfòmasyon sou resous manje, livrezon makèt ak lòt sèvis nan katye ou ak apre. Liy dirèk la gratis, louvri pou tout moun epi li disponib nan onz lang, ki gen ladan angle ak kreòl.

Lendi jiska jedi: dezè nan apremidi jiska uitè di swa Vandredi: dezè nan apremidi jiska senkè di swa

हिन्दी

अपने इलाके में फूड बैंक या राशन की डेलिवरी जैसी सेवाओं की जानकारी के लिए नीचे दिए गए समय पर म्यूचुअल एड NYC को फोन करें। यह हॉटलाइन आपकी सेवा के लिए है और अंग्रेजी और हिंदी के अलावा, 11 और भाषाओं में मौजूद है।

सोमवार - गुरुवार: 2 - 8 PM शुक्रवार: 2 - 5 PM

한국어

생필품 및 기타 서비스에 대한 정보를 원하시는 경우, 하단에 표기된 시간에 맞추어 Mutual Aid NYC 핫라인에 연락하여 주시길 바랍니다. 모든 서비스는 무료로 제공되며, 누구나 사용 가능합니다. 서비스는 영어 및 한국어를 포함하여 11개국 언어로 제공됩니다.

월요일 - 목요일: 오후 2시 - 오후 8시 / 금요일: 오후 2시 - 오후 5시

РУССКИЙ

Позвоните по телефону горячей линии Mutual Aid NYC в указанное ниже время для получения информации о продовольственных ресурсах, доставке продуктов и других услугах в вашем районе и за его пределами. Горячая линия бесплатна, открыта для всех и доступна на 11 языках, включая английский и русский.

Понедельник - четверг: 14:00 - 20:00 Пятница: 14:00 - 17:00.

اردو

کھانے پینے کے وسائل، راشن (گروسری) کی فراہمی اور اپنے پڑوس اور اس سے باہر کی دیگر خدمات کے بارے میں معلومات حاصل کرنے کے لیے نیچے دئے گئے اوقات کے دوران باہمی امداد ہاٹ لائن پر کال کریں۔ ہاٹ لائن ہر ایک کے لئے مفت ہے اور انگریزی اور اردو سمیت 11 زبانوں میں دستیاب ہے۔

پیر تا جمعرات: ۲ سے شام ۸ بجے تک، جمعہ: ۲ سے شام ۵ بجے تک

📞 646-437-8080

For more information, languages & hours, visit
MUTUALAID.NYC/I-NEED-HELP

**MUTUAL
AID NYC**

Mutual Aid NYC is providing food assistance, resources, and other services. To get more information call their hotline at which you can call at **646-437-8080**.

NYC SMALL BUSINESS RESOURCE NETWORK



Are you a small business?
We are here to help you.

YOUR ONE-STOP SHOP FOR RECOVERY SUPPORT

Get access to valuable resources through **Small Business Support Specialists** in your borough



FINANCIAL
GUIDANCE



MARKETING
EXPERTISE



TECHNOLOGY
SUPPORT




LEGAL
COUNSEL



BUSINESS
COACHING

SIGN UP — HERE IS HOW IT WORKS

1 
Sign up by submitting
your business profile

2 
You will be assigned a Small
Business Support Specialist
through your local Chamber
of Commerce

3 
Work with your
Specialist to assess your
business needs

4 
Get personalized guidance
and access to resources for
your business

5 BOROUGH. 1 RESOURCE NETWORK.

Our public-private partnership came together to offer meaningful assistance to small business owners through the city's corporate, financial, and professional service sectors, as well as universities, philanthropists, and expert volunteers.



in collaboration with:



NYCSmallBusinessResourceNetwork.org



@nycsmbiznetwork



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The **NYC Small Business Resource Network** is a unique private/public partnership that provides our local businesses with the free, personalized guidance they need right now to survive the pandemic. If you have a small business, you can sign up for this network today.

Once you fill out the **brief intake form**, you will be matched with a business support specialist. Through this program, all five borough **Chambers of Commerce** have specialists offering one-on-one support to businesses in their boroughs.

The program is funded by a \$2.8 million grant from the New York City-based Peter G. Peterson Foundation and supported

by in-kind contributions from other partners, this collaboration, led by the **Partnership for New York City**, the **NYC Economic Development Corporation** and all five **Chambers of Commerce**, leverages the city's corporate, financial and professional services sectors, as well as universities, philanthropies and expert volunteers to help small business owners gain access to a range of programs and services.

COVID-19 RAPID TESTING BROOKLYN LOCATIONS

ACPNY HOT SPOT RAPID TESTING: BROOKLYN APPOINTMENTS REQUIRED

<i>Location</i>	<i>Hours</i>
Kings Highway 3245 Nostrand Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11229	Monday-Friday 9am - 4pm
Bay Ridge 740 64th St., Brooklyn, NY 11220	Wednesday/Friday 9am - 4pm
Flatbush 1000 Church Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11218	Monday-Friday 9am - 4pm

Schedule Virtual Visit Screenings in Two Ways:

Option 1 (Existing and All New Patients): Patient calls dedicated COVID-19 screening and testing hotline (866) 749-2660

Option 2 (Existing patients only): Patient schedules COVID-19 virtual visit screening on myACPNY patient portal.

After a virtual screening, patient is scheduled for a testing appointment at their convenience at testing location.

Results are communicated back to patient by ACPNY provider.

STOP THE SPREAD

Protect your community from COVID-19



Everyone must do their part.

- Stay home if you do not feel well.
- Participate in temperature checks and symptom screenings when entering public spaces.
- Wear face coverings when not at home.
- When with people who do not live in your household, keep 6 feet between you and others.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds each time.

If you or a loved one have been near someone who has COVID-19, here's what to do:

- **Do not leave your home**, except to get medical care. Avoid taking buses, subways, and taxis.
- **Separate from other people in your home as much as possible.** You should stay in a specific "sick room" if possible.
- Do not share household items.
- Use a separate bathroom, if possible. If you share a bathroom, clean and disinfect after using it.
- Don't touch pets.
- Don't cook food and serve it to others.
- Avoid caring for children **and older adults, if possible.**

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

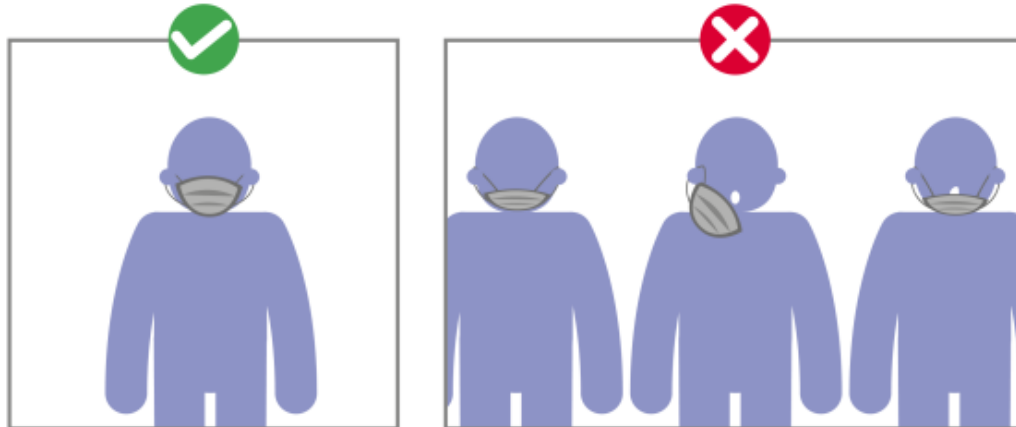
*This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning.

Stay up to date www.health.ny.gov/coronavirus



WEARING FACE COVERINGS

Face Masks and Coverings for COVID-19



- You must wear a face mask or face covering in public when social distancing (staying at least 6 feet apart) is not possible, unless a face covering is not medically tolerated. This includes on public transport, in stores and on crowded sidewalks.
- Children over 2 years of age should wear a face mask in public, too. Children under 2 years of age should NOT wear face coverings for safety reasons.
- Cloth face coverings should be made from fabric you can't see through when held up to the light. They must be cleaned before reusing.
- Disposable paper face masks should be used for one outing outside the home. They cannot be properly cleaned.
- The best way to prevent COVID-19 is to continue social distancing (staying at least 6 feet away from others), **even when wearing a face covering.**

Putting On Face Covering

- **DO** clean your hands with soap and water or if that's not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizer, before putting on your face covering.
- Make sure the face covering covers both your nose and mouth.
- **DON'T** wear your mask hanging under your nose or mouth or around your neck. You won't get the protection you need.
- **DON'T** wear the face covering on top of your head, or take it off and on repeatedly. Once it is in place, leave the covering in place until you are no longer in public.

Taking Off Face Covering

- **DO** clean your hands with soap and water or if that's not available, alcohol-based hand sanitizer, before taking off your face covering.
- Remove your mask only touching the straps.
- Discard the face covering if it is disposable. If you are reusing (cloth), place it in a paper bag or plastic bag for later.
- Wash your hands again.
- When cleaning a cloth face covering, **DO** put in the washer (preferably on the hot water setting).
- Dry in dryer at high heat. When it is clean and dry, place in a clean paper or plastic bag for later use. If you live in a household with many people, you might want to label the bags with names so the face coverings are not mixed up.

AVOID SCAMS

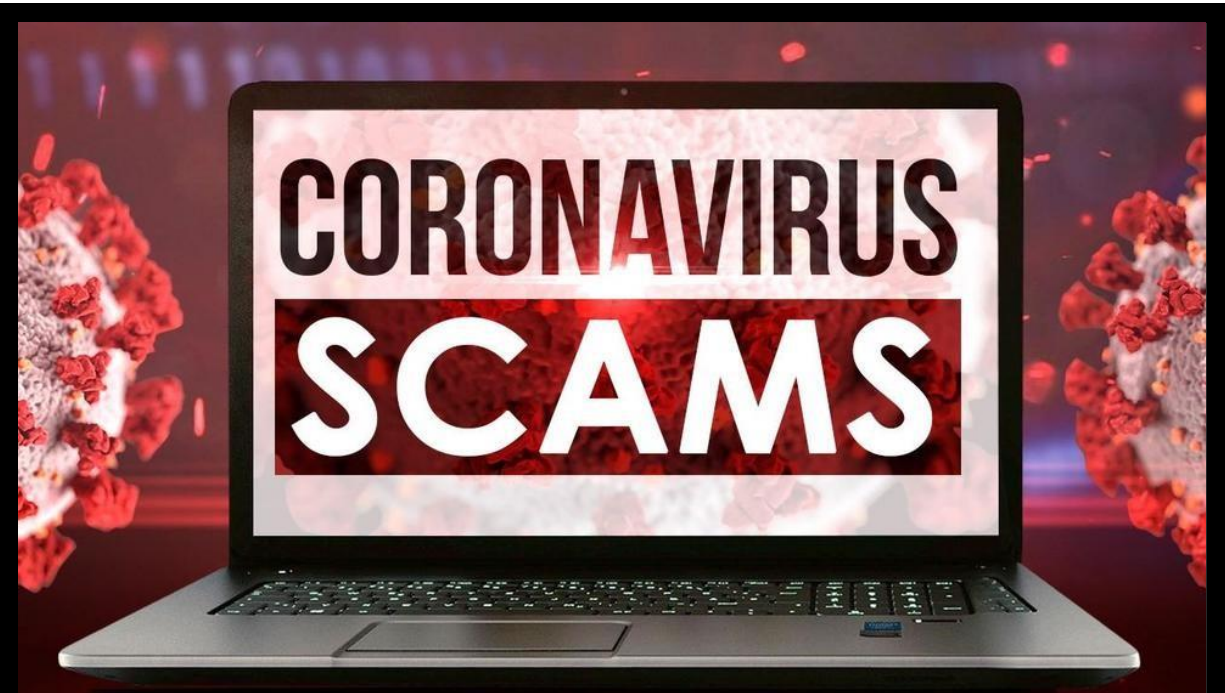


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- Notify NYC: Beware of COVID-19 scams!
- Report **price gouging** to 311 or [NYC.gov/dcwp](https://www.nyc.gov/dcwp). You can also file a complaint to the Attorney General's office by filling out a [complaint form](#).
- **NYS Price Gouging Hotline: 800-697-1220.**
- CDC staff will **NOT** go door-to-door. If you experience this, call 911.

SERVICES AND RESOURCES



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Due to the impact of COVID-19 on New York City's workforce, the City of New York has developed a list of resources for those who may be unemployed due to COVID-19 or are seeking additional assistance. The list below will be updated frequently.

It has information on the following categories:

- **Employment Resources**
- **Food Assistance**
- **Health & Medical Assistance**
- **Financial Assistance**
- **Rent Arrears and Public Assistance**
- **Emotional Support & Spiritual Care**
- **Other Assistance**

Visit this [website](#) for resources.

NYS Department of Health Hotline for people who want to be assessed and get appointment for test ([888-364-3065](tel:888-364-3065)). NYC residents should call ([844-692-4692](tel:844-692-4692)).

Volunteer to Support

Others: https://www1.nyc.gov/site/helpnownyc/resources/covid-19-relief.page#healthcare_workers.

Free Internet Services:

Charter is offering free spectrum broadband and WiFi access for **60 days to household with K-12 and/or college students** who do not already have Spectrum broadband subscription. To enroll, call **844-488-8395**. Until further notice, all Xfinity WiFi Public Hotspots are now open to everyone on the "xfinitywifi" SSID. For more information visit [here](#).

The **Hebrew Educational Society** in partnership with MET Council has a food pantry that is open to all. To reserve a spot, visit [here](#).

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