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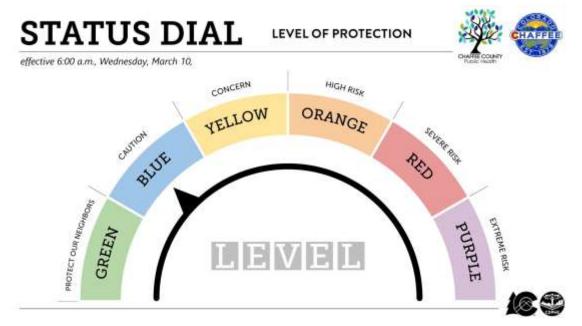
Chaffee County Local Public Health Orders

If you have questions about the information provided in this report, please contact acarlstrom@chaffeecounty.org.

### **Dial Status**

As of Mar 10th, Chaffee County is in the **Blue** Level on the state's <u>Dial Dashboard</u>.

Read the Mar 9th <u>Press Release from CCPH</u> for more information.









**NOTE:** The state updated Dial level limitations on March 7th. See <u>full CDPHE Public</u> Health order here and summary of changes here.

Blue Level allows increased capacity for:

#### Restaurants

- Restaurants may operate at 50% of the posted occupancy limit indoors not to exceed 225 people excluding staff, whichever is less, per room.
   Restaurants may also use any existing, licensed outdoor space for in-person dining with the same group limit of 10 and minimum spacing of 6 feet apart.
- Last-call for alcohol beverage sales to end consumers for on-premises consumption and for takeout between is 2:00 A.M. MDT.

#### Indoor Events

- Indoor Events may be conducted at 50% of the posted occupancy limit not to exceed 175 people, whichever is less, per room excluding staff.
- If the event is a seated event, the event may be conducted at 50% of the posted occupancy limit not to exceed 225 people indoors per room, whichever is less, excluding staff, within their usable space.



Status of Chaffee and all counties in Colorado can be viewed on the state dashboard at: https://covid19.colorado.gov/data/covid-19-dial-dashboard





### **Local COVID-19 Updates**

March 5th marked the 1-year anniversary of Colorado's first confirmed COVID-19 case. Through the ups and downs of the restrictions, the uncertainties, the losses, the stressors, and the hope that's growing day by day, one thing has been a constant: the incredible strength of our Chaffee County communities. As we move through this milestone, we honor you, we honor those we have lost, and we honor the resilience shown throughout the collective challenges this year has brought. Thank you, Chaffee County.



CCPH amended the local Public Health Order on February 12th. Order # 2020-08 - Amendment 14, effective February 12, 2021 is <u>linked here</u>.





Monitor Information on Chaffee County's COVID-19 response and data at:

- COVID-19 Chaffee County Facebook page
- Chaffee County COVID-19 Dashboard
  - Chaffee's local dashboard provides real-time updates and the most current information available to CCPH regarding COVID-19 in the county.
- Chaffee County COVID-19 web page
- Colorado's Dial Dashboard
  - The State of Colorado's dashboard displays the level of disease spread in Chaffee County and all other counties in the state.
- Watch the informative Vaccine Overview from the CCPH Nursing Team at <a href="https://youtu.be/qjNmVV8NlWw">https://youtu.be/qjNmVV8NlWw</a> CCPH's nursing team shared an informative presentation all about the COVID-19 vaccines in use in our community, the science behind them, and their safety and efficacy during the February 25th Lunch-n-Learn zoom.

#### **COVID-19 Vaccine Information**

State-level vaccination dashboard, including county-level data:



See <a href="https://covid19.colorado.gov/vaccine-data-dashboard">https://covid19.colorado.gov/vaccine-data-dashboard</a>

- 11,625 COVID-19 doses administered to Chaffee County residents, as of March 8th.
  - Note: BVCC and other state correctional facilities' vaccination data are not included in the state counts, due to being federal facilities
- COVID-19 Vaccine info from the State of Colorado
- COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ
- COVID-19 Vaccine Providers in Colorado
- Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ with ingredient list
- Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ with ingredient list

Vaccine Call Center, open 24 hours day/day, 7 days/week ~ the toll-free number is 1-877-CO VAX CO (1-877-268-2926).

Vaccine call center staff are available to answer COVID-19 vaccine-related questions, provide info about vaccine providers across the state, and give general information about COVID-19.







#### **Chaffee County Vaccine Distribution and Clinics**

Chaffee County's vaccination roll-out is aligned with the <u>state-directed vaccination distribution</u> <u>and prioritization plan</u>, sequentially including the groups authorized by the state, with scheduling based on vaccine inventory availability. See the CDPHE <u>State Vaccination Plan</u> for Phase Details. Thank you for your patience as Chaffee County continues to follow the governor's direction on vaccine distribution across the state.

Vaccination appointments with CCPH are scheduled through https://chaffeecounty.rsvpify.com/

#### As of publication date, current vaccination phases include:

- Phase 1A Highest-risk healthcare workers & individuals
- Phase 1B.1 Ages 70+, moderate-risk healthcare workers, and first responders
- Phase 1B.2 Ages 65-69; PK-12 educators and licensed childcare workers
- Phase 1B.3 People age 60 and older, frontline essential agricultural and grocery store workers, and people age 16-59 with two or more high-risk conditions







#### Estimated to open around March 21st:

 Phase 1B.4 - People age 50 and older, frontline essential workers, people with high risk conditions, and the continuation of operations for state government and continuity of local government

#### Community Vaccination Clinics currently open to authorized groups:

#### • Chaffee County Public Health Clinics:

- Wednesday, March 10 First doses in Buena Vista
- Monday March 15 Moderna 1st and 2nd doses
- Tuesday, March 16 Moderna 2nd dose Buena Vista clinic
- Monday March 22 1st and 2nd doses Moderna
- Friday, March 26 2nd doses Pfizer
- Monday, March 29 2nd doses Moderna
- Monday, April 5 2nd doses Moderna
- Valley-Wide Health Systems in Buena Vista: call 719-587-9610 to make an appointment
- Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center: <a href="https://www.hrrmc.com/covid-19-updates/covid-19-vaccine/">https://www.hrrmc.com/covid-19-updates/covid-19-vaccine/</a>





#### Other Key Items Regarding Local COVID-19 Vaccines:

- The vaccination clinics are intended for populations within the currently authorized population groups, in keeping with the state-directed phases.
  - If and when there are extra doses remaining at the conclusion of scheduled clinics that need to be used immediately due to the limited shelf-life of the vaccine product, CCPH may make them available.
  - A maximum of 10 vehicles at a time will be allowed to line up. Any vehicles posing a hazard will be asked to leave.
- In order to receive a vaccine, you must have an appointment.
  - Chaffee County Public Health COVID-19 Vaccination Scheduler: https://chaffeecounty.rsvpify.com/
  - Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center COVID Vaccination
     Scheduler: www.hrrmc.com/covid-19-updates/covid-19-vaccine/
- Please bring completed <u>vaccination consent form</u> with you to your appointments. Hard copies of the form are available at Buena Vista and Salida libraries.
- The scheduler for your <u>second dose</u> will generally be open the day after you receive your first dose if received by CCPH. Please schedule your second dose using the SAME electronic scheduler used to set your first dose appointment.
  - Your second dose appointment should be made for the date indicated on the white CDC vaccination card you are provided at your first vaccination appointment. Please keep your card, but know that the card does not replace the online scheduler. There will <u>not</u> be an automatic appointment set for you, so it is important to schedule your second dose <u>through the scheduler</u> <u>system</u>. There are specific dates and slots available for second doses.
- CCPH relies on personal accountability and responsibility in order to fulfill the state's mandates for phased vaccine administration



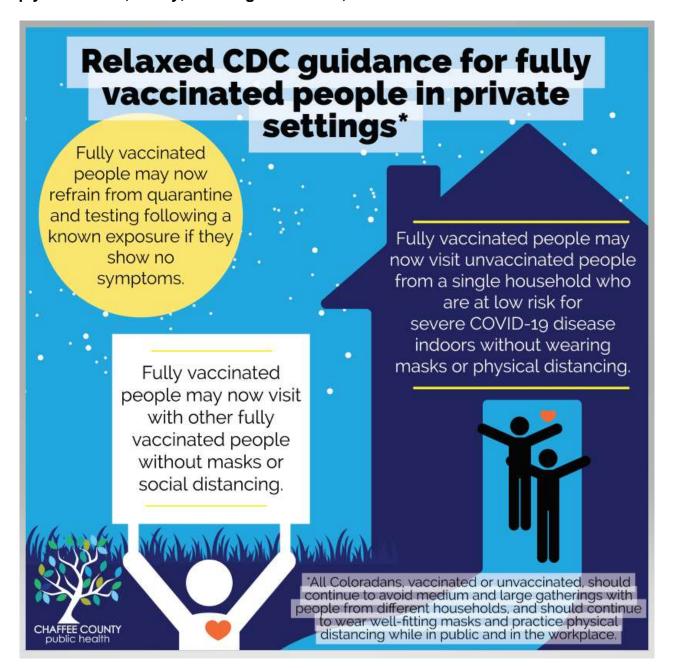
Johnson & Johnson (J&J) Janssen single-dose vaccine product was approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) on February 27th through an Emergency Use Authorization. Chaffee Public Health will share out when it is received in the County and put into use. The FDA has shared preliminary analysis that the J&J vaccine is safe and 66%-85% effective in preventing COVID-19 infection.





#### **Life After Vaccination**

If you have received a COVID-19 vaccine - congratulations! Vaccination is an important milestone as we move through the pandemic together. Know that being vaccinated is one layer of protection for our community – but we still need the other layers, too! By continuing to wear your face covering in public, practice social distancing, and prevent virus exposure, you will help keep your friends, family, and neighbors safer, too.









The Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) issued updated guidance on Mar 9th, relaxing some public health recommendations for fully vaccinated persons in some private social settings. "Fully vaccinated" means at least 2 weeks has passed since the vaccinated person received their final COVID-19 vaccine dose.

Read the full CDPHE's recommendations here.

Fully vaccinated people may now:

- Visit with other fully vaccinated people indoors without wearing masks or physically distancing in small groups.
- Visit with unvaccinated people from a single household who are at low risk for severe COVID-19 disease indoors without wearing masks or physical distancing.
- Refrain from quarantine and testing following a known exposure if they show no symptoms. People who have been exposed to COVID-19 should still monitor themselves for symptoms for two weeks. If symptoms develop, they should get tested and isolate.



<u>Please note</u>: All Coloradans, vaccinated or unvaccinated, should **continue to avoid medium and large gatherings** with people from different households and should **continue to wear well-fitting masks and practice physical distancing while in public** and in the workplace.

Vaccinations are making a positive difference for Chaffee County – but we each still need to keep our personal commitment to COVID precautions to protect our whole community right now. **THANK YOU for continuing to care for each other, Chaffee County!** 

### **COVID-19 Community Testing Clinics**

Appointments are Required

Testing Conducted at	Testing Conducted on
Chaffee County Fairgrounds 10165 CR 120	For the coming week: Mar 11, 15, 16, 18
Salida, CO 81201	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.







**Updated Schedule** 

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 10:30am-11:30am

> Chaffee County Fairgrounds 10165 CR 120 Salida, CO 81201

To schedule a COVID-19 test with CCPH and you are symptomatic, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/3dyXled">bit.ly/3dyXled</a>. When scheduling, you must enter your email address. If you don't have an email, a phone number is sufficient.

To schedule a COVID-19 test with CCPH and you are asymptomatic, call 719-539-4510.

To schedule a COVID-19 test with CCPH and you are symptomatic or asymptomatic, click here. When scheduling, YOU MUST ENTER your email address. If you don't have an email, a phone number is sufficient.

#### When to test?

- If you have symptoms, we recommend you get tested at the first available opportunity. Please remain quarantined until you receive your test result.
- If you were a close contact to a confirmed infected person, but have no symptoms, we recommend testing 6-7 days after exposure. If you have remained without symptoms the entire time since exposure and test on day 6 or later, your quarantine is considered complete after day 7, as long as your test result is negative. Test results take up to 4 days.
  - Please Note: The <u>Guidelines issued by CDC/CDPHE</u> on Mar 9th allow fully vaccinated persons to refrain from quarantine and testing following a known exposure if they show no symptoms. People who have been exposed to COVID-19 should still monitor themselves for symptoms for two weeks. If symptoms develop, they should get tested and isolate.
  - Quarantine NEVER ends before day 7. Quarantine can end on day 8, 9 or 10, if you have a negative test from day 6 or thereafter.







According to the <u>Advisory Committee on Immunization</u>
 <u>Practices</u>, individuals who have received two doses of COVID-19 vaccine do not need to quarantine after exposure to COVID-19 once two weeks have passed after they received second dose (in most cases, but not all). Fully-immunized close contacts should still monitor themselves for symptoms of COVID-19 during the 14 days after exposure. If symptoms develop, they should isolate and seek testing.

#### **COVID-19 Testing Sites throughout Chaffee County**

Go here for a complete list of all COVID-19 Testing Options available in Chaffee County.

#### What to Do if You Test Positive

Positive cases are in isolation until they meet the criteria to be released. Please read this ISOLATION LETTER and follow the instructions.

- Individuals with a positive case need to begin contacting their close contacts and employer. A close contact is anyone who was within 6 feet of the positive case for 15 minutes or more in total over 24 hours, beginning 48 hours before symptoms (or a positive test if without symptoms).
  - Please send your close contacts this QUARANTINE LETTER.
- You will be contacted by a contact tracer within a few days.

#### **Quarantine Guidelines**

Quarantine guidelines are available on the state's COVID-19 website: https://covid19.colorado.gov/how-to-quarantine



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### COVID-19 Variants—Frequently Asked Questions

On March 7th, Colorado State Public Health Laboratory detected 3 cases of the B.1.351 COVID-19 variant in 2 staff and 1 inmate at the Colorado Department of Corrections Buena Vista Correctional Complex (BVCC), none of whom had been vaccinated at the time of infection.







These samples were chosen at random for sequencing as part of ongoing variant surveillance analysis. Please see full March 7th Press Release from CDPHE <a href="here">here</a>. CDPHE is continuing its investigation at the BVCC facility, and also hosting testing and vaccination clinics for staff, inmates, and family and close contacts of staff members.

State Epidemiologist Dr. Rachel Herlihy provided an update at Governor Polis' Press Conference on March 9th. The video is <a href="here">here</a>, and variant discussion begins at ~minute 15:00.

Please be assured that public health officials are studying the new COVID-19 variants to help control their spread. It is common that viruses constantly change through mutation, and new variants of any virus typically appear over time. Sometimes new variants emerge and disappear. Other times, new variants emerge and continue to spread.

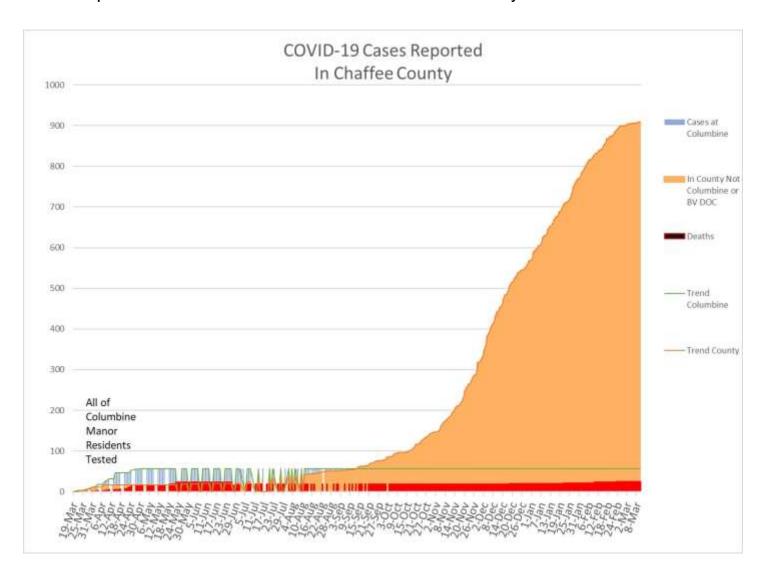
To learn more, click here.





### Graphs of COVID-19 Activity in Chaffee County

All Reported Positive COVID-19 cases in Chaffee County

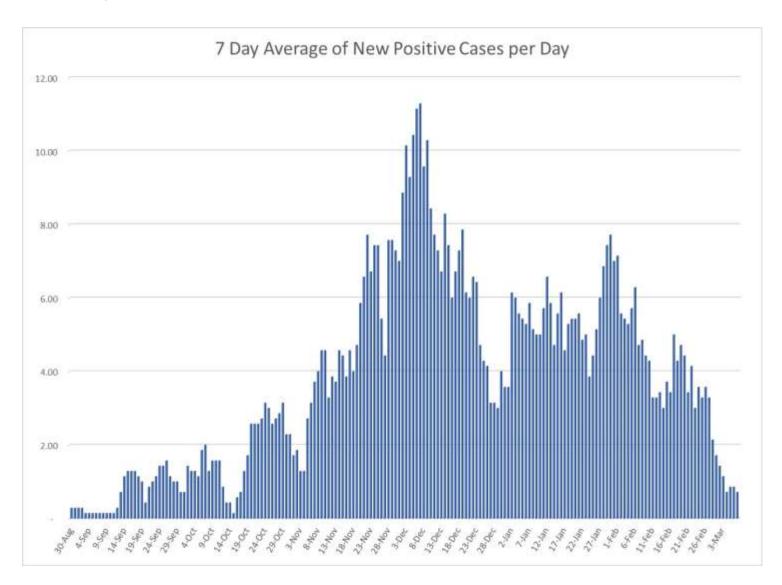


The orange bars and lines show the total cumulative community cases since March 2020. The blue bars show the number of cases of staff and residents of Columbine Manor. The red bars indicate the number of deaths. To view the graph in greater detail, click here.





Average Number of New Cases per Day on a 7-Day Rolling Average

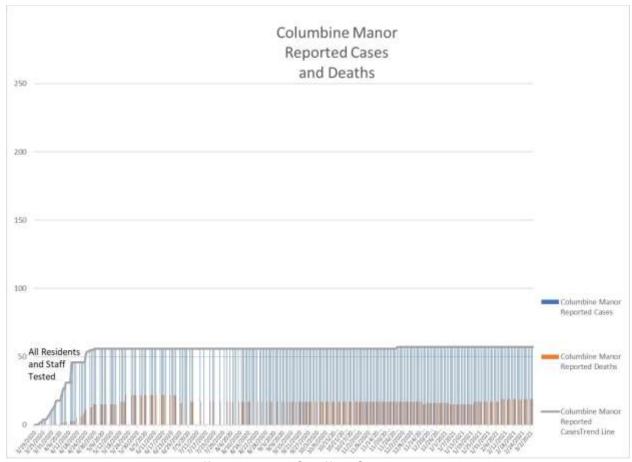


To view the graph in greater detail, click here.





#### Positive COVID-19 Cases Associated with Columbine Manor



This includes residents and staff who live in Chaffee County. To view the graph in greater detail, click <u>here</u>.

Heart of the Rockies Regional Medical Center (HRRMC): HRRMC updates can be found on the Chaffee County COVID-19 Dashboard. This data gets updated weekly so might not reflect the current situation.

**Buena Vista Correctional Complex (BVCC):** BVCC updates can be found at <a href="https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdoc/covid-19-faq-and-updates">https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdoc/covid-19-faq-and-updates</a>.

COVID-19 Case/Vaccine Summary for Colorado





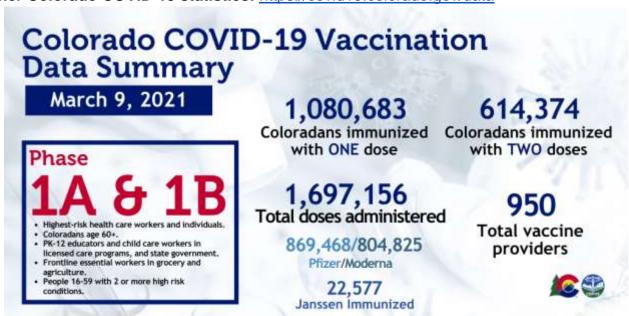
<u>Colorado's COVID-19 Data Dashboard</u> helps local public health agencies and governments, as well as Coloradans, learn about the level of disease spread in specific counties and associated public health guidance. Colorado's Dial Dashboard is also available in Spanish.

PLEASE NOTE: The data on the state dashboard may vary from our local dashboard.

#### Colorado State-Wide Case Summary Data, as of March 8th:

- 2,533 COVID-19 cases reported March 7
- 311- Number of persons currently hospitalized for confirmed COVID case
- 51 Number of persons currently hospitalized as assumed COVID case
- 11,555 Numbers of tests reported as being performed on March 7
- 3.27% 7-day moving average positivity rate
- 1,080,683 People immunized with one dose as of March 8
- 636,951 People fully immunized as of March 8

Other Colorado COVID-19 statistics: https://covid19.colorado.gov/data



COVID-19 Vaccine Overview for Colorado: https://covid19.colorado.gov/vaccine





### Chaffee County Local Public Health Orders

CCPH's public health order was last amended February 12, 2021.



The BOCC <u>Declaration of Local Disaster Emergency</u> has been extended through May 4, 2021.

Please know that we care about you and are continuously striving toward the end goal of ending this pandemic. We are in this together!

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