



# Yavapai County

Our Mission: "Yavapai County will serve and protect its citizens through efficient management of all its resources to enhance the lives of those we serve."



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## **COVID-19 UPDATE: Wednesday March 9, 2022**

### **AZDHS January Data Makes Strong Argument for getting COVID-19 Booster Dose**

AZDHS twice-monthly report on COVID-19 outcomes by vaccination status, which includes data from January when Omicron was firmly established as the dominant variant, now looks at the impact of booster doses on COVID-19 infection, hospitalization, and death. In January, ADHS found that fully vaccinated and boosted individuals were 67 times less likely to be hospitalized and 180 times less likely to die than the unvaccinated. Booster doses dramatically increase protection against COVID-19, including the Omicron variant. Vaccines continue to offer strong protection against severe COVID-19 outcomes, but these reports make the strongest possible argument for safe, free, and highly effective booster doses. Research shows that COVID-19 vaccine protection wanes over time, especially in people 65 years and older, and that boosters do a great job of increasing your immune response to protect against COVID-19. Boosters are recommended for everyone ages 12 and older at least five months after your primary vaccination series with Moderna or Pfizer and at least two months after the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen shot. Boosters are especially important for older individuals and others with weakened immune systems, but everyone stands to benefit. For more information: [www.azdhs.gov/covid19/documents/data/rates-of-cov-19-by-vaccination.pdf?v=20220105](http://www.azdhs.gov/covid19/documents/data/rates-of-cov-19-by-vaccination.pdf?v=20220105)

**YRMC Community COVID Vaccine Walk-In Center:** Monday through Friday 8am to 5pm Frontier Village Center, Suite 49, 1781 E Hwy 69, Prescott, AZ 86301. Offering COVID Moderna primary series and booster vaccines to adults 18+, no appointment necessary. Visit [yrmcvax.org](http://yrmcvax.org) or call 928-708-4556.

Please visit testing sites:

**Prescott Days:** Monday-Thursday **Time:** 8:30 am-4:00 pm, Friday **Time:** 8:30-1:00pm. **Location:** Pioneer Park Front Parking Lot, 1200 Commerce Dr, Prescott. PCR test. Drive through testing.

**Prescott Valley Days:** Monday-Thursday. **Time:** 9:30 am-5:00 pm. **Location:** Humboldt Unified School District Office, 6411 N. Robert Road, Prescott Valley. PCR test. Drive through testing.

**Cottonwood Days:** Monday-Friday. **Time:** 8:00am-5:30pm. **Location:** 300 South Willard St Cottonwood, AZ 86326. PCR test.

**Camp Verde Days:** Monday-Friday. **Time:** 8:00am-5:30pm. **Location:** 1298 W Finnie Flat Rd Camp Verde, AZ 86322. PCR test.

**COVID-19 Free Testing Sites:** We ask that you wear a mask at our testing sites and that you only come to be tested if you are symptomatic or have been recently exposed to Covid-19.

**Yavapai County reports 114 COVID-19 Cases and 5 Deaths since Wednesday, March 2, 2022.** There have been 47,572 positive cases and 1,159 deaths since the beginning of the pandemic. Yavapai Regional Medical Center reports **20** COVID-patients, VVMC reports **9** patients, and the VA reports **0** patients. If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or what seems to be a bad cold, please get tested for COVID-19.

**ADHS COVID-19 Hotline – (844) 542-8201** (select option number eight) – help in English and Spanish from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week, except for major holidays.

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