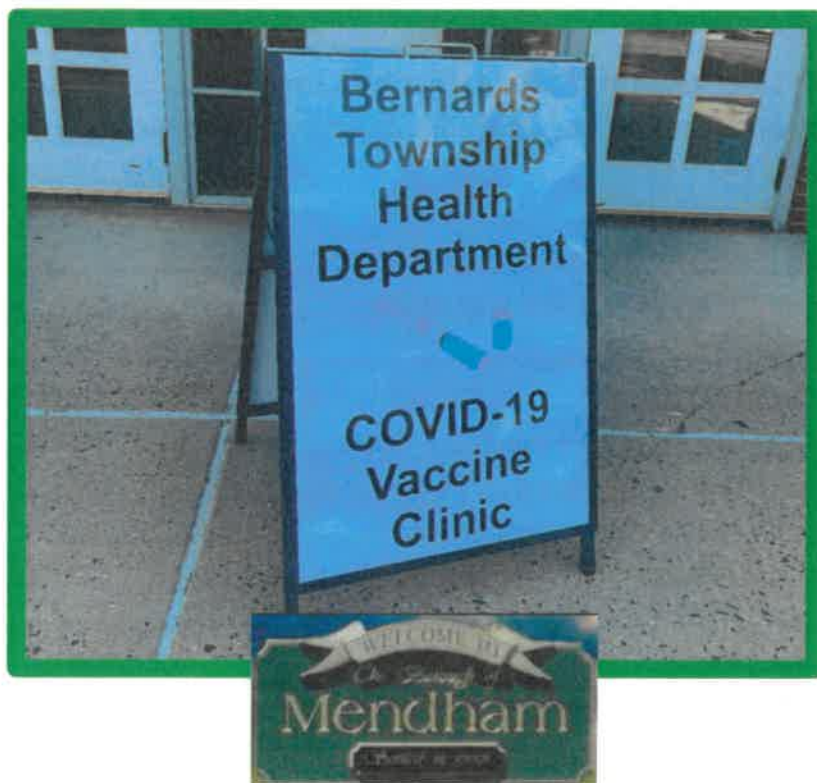




2021 Annual Report



The Contractual Health Agency serving...
Bernards Township
Bernardsville Borough
Chester Borough
Long Hill Township
Mendham Borough
Peapack & Gladstone Borough

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A Letter from the Health Officer:

Dear Colleagues, Partners, and Friends,

2021 was without a doubt a challenging and incredibly demanding year. As a Health Department, we are so proud of the work we have accomplished despite the odds and are pleased to present the **2021 Annual Report**. Please make some time to read this important, comprehensive document which highlights the efforts of the amazing team we have at the Bernards Township Health Department. Each year our goal remains the same: to provide the best public health services to all residents in our catchment area including Bernards Township, Bernardsville Borough and Peapack Gladstone in Somerset County, and Chester Borough, Mendham Borough, and Long Hill Township in Morris County.

This year began with the excitement and anticipation of the development of the COVID-19 vaccine from Pfizer & BioNTech, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson. The Health Department Staff quickly mobilized to coordinate vaccination clinics in our jurisdiction. After waiting patiently to be allocated the necessary vaccine, our department began to hold weekly vaccination clinics for all eligible adults and children including primary series, booster doses and third doses. A special thanks goes out to the Atlantic Visiting Nurses for providing vaccination services as well as our dedicated clinic volunteers. We applied for State grants that allowed for the hiring of three additional staff members to meet the needs of all populations, especially the most vulnerable, homebound, and hard to reach within our communities. Through a partnership with WellCare labs, we were also able to hold weekly COVID-19 testing clinics for residents.

We have continued to dodge the many curve balls thrown at us during this pandemic, including two COVID-19 variant surges (Delta and Omicron). We endured widespread misinformation which brought its own set of challenges with public health guidance. Our staff spent countless hours working with childcare centers, pre-schools, and our K-12 schools to respond to hundreds of questions and scenarios. Keeping our students safe, healthy and in school has always remained our top priority. As guidance changed, our office absorbed and learned each new fact and figure. Often the public learned information through the media prior to the Health Department. We worked to pivot and respond to questions on masking, contact tracing, mitigation efforts and vaccine information with grace and clarity. We addressed outbreaks in our various school districts and long-term care facilities by tracking cases and preventing further spread.

Throughout the pandemic we've played defense by communicating more efficiently with the public. We launched our newly revamped website at www.bernardshealth.org to provide residents with up-to-date information and an organized calendar feature to see all upcoming clinics and programs. I encourage all to visit our website to learn more. Our weekly COVID-19 Update provided current information on testing, vaccination clinics, the latest research, executive orders, and our weekly COVID-19 case count by municipality showcased in beautifully designed graphics.

In 2021 we were also able to continue our daily duties as a Health Department. We were able to meet all requirements of Chapter 52 (*Public Health Practice Standards for Local Boards of Health*) including preventing the spread of disease, protecting the environment, providing vital statistics, and animal control services. Sincere thanks to our Boards of Health members, especially Dr. John Salaki for signing medical orders to provide COVID-19 vaccinations, participating in an educational Zoom program for residents and above all, his knowledge of communicable disease and support of the health department team.

A massive thank you also goes to all our community partners for putting their trust in us. We continue to move forward with better therapeutic treatment for COVID-19 including vaccinations, healthy practices, and better mitigation techniques that will continue to provide us with greater optimism in protection against this virus. I encourage the public to continue to stay vigilant and to adhere to public health guidance to keep our COVID-19 numbers down. We have worked so hard together and endured so much as a community. Our Health Department looks forward to resuming 100% of all non-COVID programming and continuing to provide the best public health services for our residents.

Very truly yours,

Lucy A. Forgione

Lucy A. Forgione, MS, HO, MCHES – Health Officer/Direct of Health/Register of Vital Statistics
Health Educator/Youth Services Coordinator



Bernards Township HEALTH Department
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MISSION STATEMENT

To provide competent, professional, and efficient public health and environmental services to the residents of our community. Through the delivery of the state mandated "Chapter 52: Public Health Practice Standards of Performance for Local Boards of Health in NJ" and the ordinances and policies of the Board of Health, we promote the public's health by using health education, disease prevention, environmental enforcement, and inspection activities.

2021 BERNARDS TOWNSHIP BOARD OF HEALTH MEMBERS	
Dr. John Salaki	President
Jennifer Asay	Vice President
Joan Bannan	Township Committee Liaison
Patricia Crane	Regular
Dr. Elizabeth Korn	Regular
Dr. Chris Hunt	Regular
Karen Ellis	Regular
Paula J. DeBona, Esq.	Board Attorney

2021 HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF	
Lucy A. Forgione	Health Officer/Director of Health/Registrar of Vital Statistics/Health Educator/Youth Services Coordinator
Tricia Cowell	Senior Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Sybil Rainey	Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Nancy Dowd	Registered Environmental Health Specialist
Jaclyn Handwerger	Registered Environmental Health Specialist/COVID-19 Generalist
Deirdre Vogel	Administrative Assistant/Deputy Registrar Board of Health Secretary
Gindy McCarthy	Administrative Secretary/Alternate Deputy Registrar
Michelle Santoro	Animal Control Officer/ Humane Law Enforcement Officer
Kate Ferratti Jody Austin-Dominguez Katie Morales Patricia Segal	Assistant Animal Control Officers



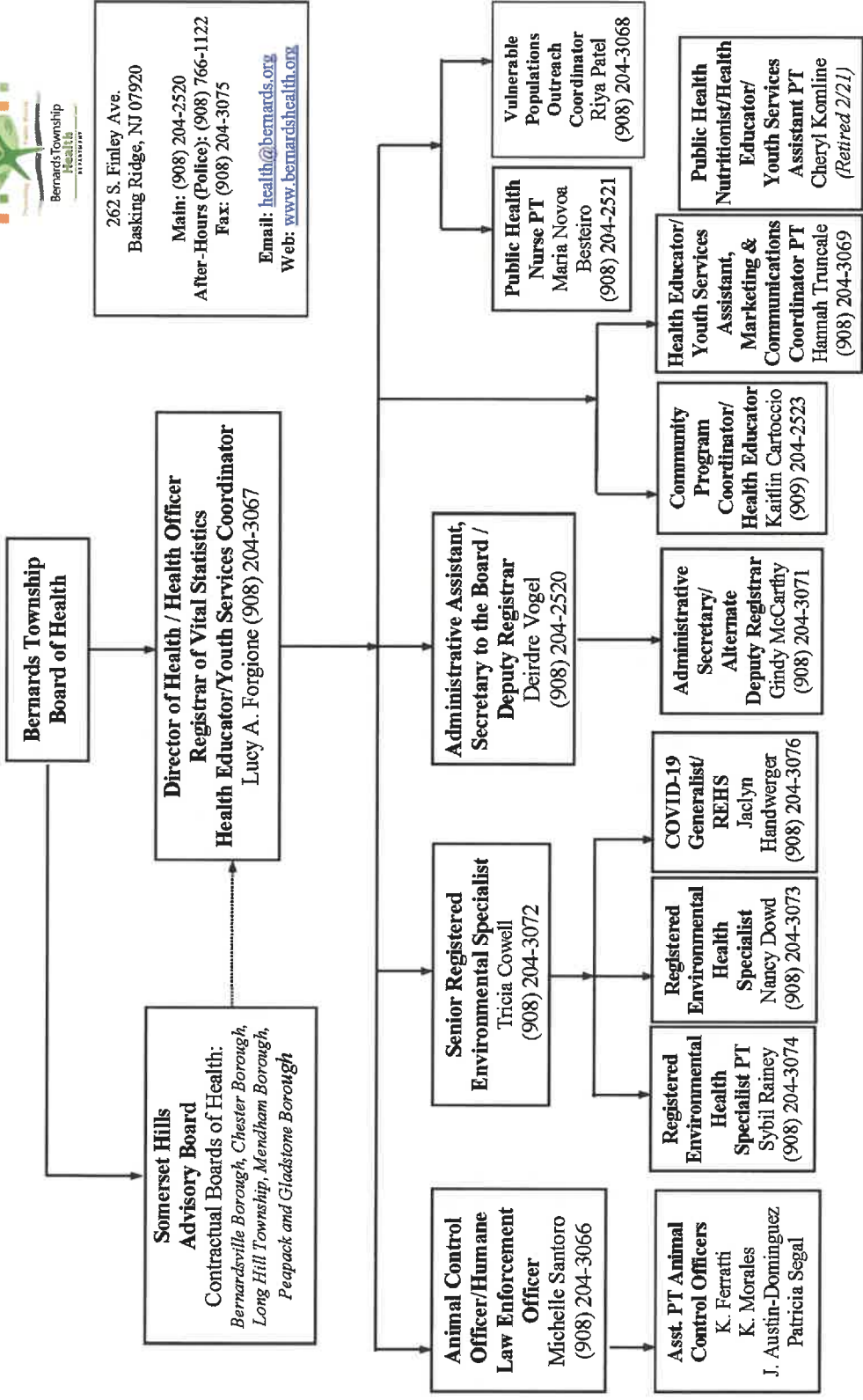
Kaitlin Cartoccio	Health Educator/Community Program Coordinator/ Municipal Alliance Grant Coordinator
Cheryl Komline	Health Educator/Youth Services Assistant/Public Health Nutritionist (Retired February 2021)
Hannah Truncale	Health Educator/Youth Services Assistant, Marketing & Communications Coordinator
Riya Patel	Vulnerable Populations Outreach Coordinator
Maria Novoa Besteiro	Public Health Nurse



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2021 CONTRACTUAL TOWN'S BOARDS OF HEALTH

2021 Bernardsville Borough Board of Health	
Len Friedman, DMD	President
Angela Calzetta	Regular Member
Al Ribeiro	Regular Member
Francine Dello Russo	Regular Member
James Sasso	Regular Member
Michelle York	Regular Member
William Youngblood	Regular Member

2021 Chester Borough Board of Health	
Eileen Callaghan-Manning	President
Kathy Perry	Vice President
Lauren McBride	BOH Secretary
Eileen Carey Brown	Regular Member
Elisa Stelwagon-Buckley	Regular Member
Thomas Germinario	BOH Attorney

2021 Long Hill Township Board of Health	
Matthew Dorsi	President
Megan Phillips	BOH Secretary
Cornel Schuler	Regular Member
Brendan Rae	Regular Member
Guy Piserchia	Regular Member
Victor Verlezza	Regular Member

2021 Mendham Borough Board of Health	
Maureen Walker	President
Karen Orgera	BOH Secretary
Lesley Anne Andrew	Vice President
Laura Gill	Regular Member
John Nosta	Regular Member
Laura Montenegro	Regular Member
Dr. Marilyn Althoff	Regular Member – Alt 1
Melissa Young	Regular Member – Alt 2

2021 Peapack & Gladstone Borough B Board of Health	
Donald Lemma	President
Debbie Bretzger	BOH Secretary
Mark Corigliano	Regular Member
Gian Paolo Caminiti	Regular Member
Amy Dietrich	Regular Member
Jamie Murphy	Regular Member
John Sweeney	Regular Member



BERNARDS TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT 2021 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

<u>MENDHAM BOROUGH</u>	
<u>PLAN REVIEWS</u>	<u>Number</u>
Septic System plans (new, alterations, repairs, abandonment)	14
Soil log inspections for septic systems suitability (new, alterations, subdivisions)	9
Septic "As-Built" Plan Review	3
Other Plan Reviews (Board of Adjustment-additions, pool locations, site-plans, variance)	0
Client/Professional Meetings	65
<u>INSPECTIONS</u>	<u>Number</u>
ABC License Checks	5
Cross-Connections	0
Kennel/Pet Shop	1
Lead (Pb) Investigations in children at risk	0
CDRSS follow-up and case follow-up	Daily
Public Health Complaints with follow-ups/re-checks	5
Rabies Control; Dog/Cat bite investigations; testing of wild animals in contact with humans or wild animals;	2
Radon Kits	1
Recreational Bathing	5



INSPECTIONS	NUMBER
Retail Food Establishments: Chapter 24 (includes plan reviews, pre-opening, semi-annual, follow-up, re-inspections)	40
Retail Food Establishment Temporary- # Events/ # Vendors	2/12
Septic Inspections including new, alterations, repairs, & abandonment	51
Tanning Salon Inspection	0
Well Inspections (includes installations of casing, pitless adaptors, well abandonments, PWTA reports)	2
Youth Camps	0

- Participate in Board of Health Meetings.
- Manage statistics system for monthly Health Officer's Report.
- Participate in *Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)*.
- Issued renewal letters for Food Establishing licenses as a courtesy.
- Inquiries: OPRA requests regarding location; type of septic system; well water questions; inspection reports for realty transfers.



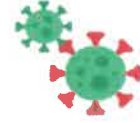
	<u>Rabies Control</u>	
Rabies Control	Rabies Clinic November 13, 2021	56 dogs, 28 cats – Total: 84 (2 Dogs, 1 Cat from MB)
	10-day quarantine	1
	Bats found in homes and tested	0
	Dogs and Cats in contact with Wildlife: 45-day quarantine	0
	Wildlife/Domestic Exposure Rabies Testing: Negative Result	1



Public Health in Action



**COVID-19
Vaccinations:
2,413**



**COVID-19
Cases:
4,926**



**COVID-19 Testing
& Vaccine Clinics:
101**



**Homebound
COVID-19
Vaccinations:
37**



**Flu Shots
Administered:
183**



**Communicable
Disease Reports:
50**



**Cancer Screening
Services:
39**



**Septic
Inspections:
323**



**Food Service
Inspections:
349**



**Recreational
Bathing
Inspections:
73**



**Senior Citizen
Home Visits:
63**



**Rabies Control/
Animal Bite
Investigations:
33**



**Radon Tests
Distributed:
89**



**Zufall Health
Clinic Visits:
44**



COMMUNICABLE/CHRONIC DISEASE SURVEILLANCE

ZUFALL HEALTH-2021 REPORT

Sexually Transmitted Illness (STI) SCREENING AND TREATMENT SERVICES

STI TYPE	NUMBER OF CLIENTS SCREENED		NUMBER OF CLIENTS DIAGNOSED AND TREATED		NUMBER OF PREVENTIVELY TREATED CONTACTS	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
SYPHILLIS	0	0	0	0	0	0
GONORRHEA	0	0	0	0	0	0
CHLAMYDIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
PID	0	0	0	0	0	0
HERPES	0	0	0	0	0	0
HPV/VW	1	0	0	0	0	0
TRICHOMONIASIS	0	0	0	0	0	0
BACTERIAL VAGINOSIS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MONILIASIS	0	0	0	0	0	0
PUBIC LICE/SCABIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
UTI	1	0	0	0	0	0
HIV	0	1	0	0	0	0
TOTAL NUMBER	2	1	0	0	0	0

PREGNANCY TESTS 2021

Number of Pregnancy Tests Performed	Number of Positive Pregnancy Tests
0	0



CANCER SCREENING SERVICES 2021	
SCREENING TYPE	NUMBER SCREENED
BREAST EXAMS (ages 15-34)	0
BREAST EXAMS (age 35-64)	1
CERVICAL EXAMS (ages 15-34)	0
CERVICAL EXAMS (ages 35-64)	1
COLORECTAL EXAMS (ages >40)	4
PROSTATE EXAMS (ages > 50)	3
TOTAL NUMBER OF SCREENINGS	9

***All clients who are screened for STIs and cancer are also provided with health education.**

SCREENING TYPE	NUMBER OF CLIENTS SCREENED
CARDIOVASCULAR RISK FACTOR	12
DIABETES	1

ZUFALL HEALTH TOTAL PATIENTS	TOTAL VISITS
25	44



2021 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE REPORTS

(P = Probable Case)

<i>Disease</i>	<i>BT</i>	<i>BV</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>LH</i>	<i>MB</i>	<i>PG</i>	<i>TOTAL 2021</i>
P = Probable Case							
Amoebiasis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Babesiosis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Botulism - Infant	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Campylobacteriosis	8 1 P	2	0	2	1	0	13 1 P
Chikungunya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cholera	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cryptosporidiosis	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Cyclosporiasis	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Dengue Fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ehrlichiosis/Anaplasma Phagocytophilum (Previously HE)	0	0	1 P	1	0	1	2 1 P
Erlchiosis/Anaplasmosis Erlichia Chaffeensis (Previously HME)	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
Giardiasis	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Haemophilus Influenzae	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Hepatitis A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hepatitis B - Acute	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hepatitis B - Chronic	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hepatitis C - Acute	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hepatitis C - Chronic	0	2	0	0	1	0	2
Influenza, Human Isolates - Type A (Subtyping Not Done)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Influenza, Human Isolates - Type 2009 H1N1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Influenza, Human Isolates - Type A H1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



<i>Disease</i>	<i>BT</i>	<i>BV</i>	<i>CB</i>	<i>LH</i>	<i>MB</i>	<i>PG</i>	<i>TOTAL 2021</i>
Influenza, Human Isolates – Type A H3 (Subtyping not done)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Influenza, Human Isolates – Type B 1 (Subtyping not done)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lyme Disease	1	1	0	0	2	0	4
Lyme Disease - Probable	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Meningococcal Disease (Neisseria Meningitidis)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Salmonellosis	2	1	0	1	0	0	4
Salmonellosis – Non-Typhoid	0	2	0	0	0	1	3
Shiga Toxin Producing E. Coli (STEC-NON O157-H7)	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Shiga Toxin Producing E. Coli (STEC-O157-H7)-Case Closed	0	1	0	0	1	0	2
Shigellosis- NON O157:H7	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Streptococcus Pneumoniae	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Streptococcus Pyogenes (GAS) Without Toxic Shock Syndrome	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yersiniosis	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
Vibrio Infection (Other than V Cholera SPP)	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
West Nile Virus (WNV)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	18 1 P	11	1 1 P	5	9	5	49 2 P

P= Probable Case



COMMUNICABLE DISEASE INVESTIGATION HOURS

Atlantic Health Visiting Nurses Association (VNA)

Town	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Per Town
Bernards Township	100	30	6	6	142
Bernardsville Borough	70	12	5	3	90
Chester Borough	30	3	2	1	36
Long Hill Township	60	6	3	4	73
Mendham Borough	30	7	1	2	40
Peapack and Gladstone Borough	25	2	2	2	31
TOTAL	315	60	19	18	412

VNA OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

Hypertension screening and health counseling at the Visiting Nurse Association office on Tuesday and Thursdays from 8:30-9:30 am and Monday - Thursday from 3:30 to 4:00 pm

Town	# Residents	# of Hours Total
Bernards Township	0	0

SENIOR CITIZEN HOME VISITS

TOWN	Number of Visits	Hours
Bernards Township	34	34.5
Bernardsville Borough	6	9
Chester Borough	3	4.5
Long Hill Township	18	27
Mendham Borough	2	3
Peapack and Gladstone Borough	0	0
TOTAL HOME VISITS FOR 2021	63	78



SENIOR CITIZEN HEALTH MAINTENANCE AND EDUCATION

<i>2021</i>	New Patients	Return Patients	TOTAL Patients	Hours
Bernards Township/ Bernardsville Borough	15	14	29	11
Chester Borough	4	5	9	7
Long Hill Township	28	39	67	24.25
Mendham Borough	2	8	10	3
Peapack and Gladstone Borough	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	49	66	115	45.25

SCHOOL AUDITS

State mandated immunization program school audits completed.

Town	# Schools Audited	Hours
Bernards Township	24	120
Bernardsville Borough	7	35
Chester Borough	1	5
Long Hill Township	7	35
Mendham Borough	5	25
Peapack and Gladstone Borough	1	5
TOTAL	45	222



2021 CLINICS AND SCREENINGS – NON COVID-19

<u>Program</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Participants</u>	<u>Professional Collaborators</u>
Child Health Conference: Vaccines for Children	Monthly	12	Community Visiting Nurse Association
Skin Cancer Screenings	July 13	30	Fellowship Village, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center
Seasonal Flu Shot Clinics Atlantic Health Visiting Nurses Association	Oct 13	80	Saint James Church
	Oct 14	4	Chester Field House
	Oct 15	21	PG Town Hall
	Oct 21	35	Bernardsville Library
	Dec 14	21	BV Episcopal Church
	Multiple dates	22	BTCC/COVID clinics



RISK COMMUNICATION & EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

- Utilized the RAVE Alert system to send out emergency health updates.
- Updated all emergency rosters and databases for six (6) towns.
- Updated Bernards Township Health Department Call Roster for After Hours and Weekend Emergencies.
- Continued to update BT Health Department Social Service Resource pages as needed.
- Continued to update information sheets for communications/shelters for six (6) towns.



2021 COVID Snapshot Mendham Borough

2021 Data by Month	Cases	Deaths
Jan	82	1
Feb	40	0
Mar	59	0
Apr	33	0
May	2	0
Jun	1	0
Jul	5	0
Aug	31	0
Sep	35	0
Oct	14	0
Nov	31	0
Dec	198	0

531
Cases

37%
of cases
occurred in
December

19%
of cases
were among
ages 10-19

1
death

100%
of deaths
occurred in
January

100%
of deaths
were among
ages 80-89

2021 Case by Age	Cases	Deaths
0-9	42	0
10-19	101	0
20-29	85	0
30-39	50	0
40-49	68	0
50-59	98	0
60-69	50	0
70-79	23	0
80-89	5	1
90-99	1	0



COVID-19 MANAGEMENT & MITIGATION MONTH BY MONTH

**occurred every month*

January



- Hired Riya Patel as the Vulnerable Populations Outreach Coordinator (VPOC) to help identify vulnerable populations in the BTHD jurisdictions and identify gaps to help address the needs of COVID-19 positive and exposed persons (*see page 28-30 for specific VPOC deliverables*).
 - Completed NJIIS training.
- PCR Testing for COVID-19 was organized weekly for every Thursday in for the foreseeable future with WellCare Testing.
- Efforts conducted to become an approved provider of COVID-19 vaccine including completing CDC and NJDOH Provider agreement, meeting with a pharmacy intern to learn about vaccines and their handling, finding supplies and equipment to facilitate clinics.
- Staff responsibilities for vaccination clinics distributed and discussed. Drafted outlines for facilities and flow created.
- Request sent out for volunteers to assist at vaccination clinics when available.
- Secured a tentative venue, sharps disposal contract, and nursing staff to conduct vaccination clinics.
- Worked to connect residents with vaccine appointments as they became eligible.
- Monitoring COVID-19 daily reporting in local long-term care facilities. *
- Kept up to date with the NJDOH on the COVID-19 vaccination process in New Jersey. *
- Released weekly updates on COVID-19 via RAVE in Bernards Township and to individual entities and municipal partners. *
- Follow-up on contact tracing in Commcare intermittently conducted by staff. Statistics compiled on COVID-19 cases. *
- Daily/weekly COVID-19 NJ OLPH calls. *
- Significant time daily spent talking to multiple school districts, preschools, nurses, parents, sports teams, senior housing and other businesses about COVID-

	<p>19 infection, close contacts, contact tracing and helping with isolation and quarantine. *</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 guidance studied daily as it changed. *
<p>February</p>  <p>The image shows two individuals, one wearing a face mask, standing behind a table covered with a white cloth. The cloth features a logo of a green tree and the text 'Promoting Public Health' and 'Bernards Township Health Department' with the website 'www.bernardshealth.org'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secured vaccination clinic venue at St. James Church in Basking Ridge. • Became an approved provider of the COVID-19 vaccine. However, there was not enough vaccine at that current moment to supply to the smaller venues and local Health Departments. Continued to plan for when vaccine becomes available. • Met with Rutgers School of Nursing students to conduct “run throughs” at the St. James vaccine site, inventorying current supplies and planning orders for medical and non-medical vaccine clinic supplies. • Continued communication with the Bernards Township Office of Emergency Management to discuss security for COVID-19 vaccine clinics. • Pharmacy student Regan Asay developed a protocol for handling the Moderna vaccine and presented it to the BTHD staff and VNA nurses. • WellCare COVID-19 PCR Testing Clinics held weekly on Thursdays at the Bernards Township Community Center. *
<p>March</p>  <p>The image shows an outdoor information table set up under a white canopy. Several people are gathered around the table, which is covered with a blue cloth and has various informational materials on it. A sign on the table reads 'Bernards Township Health Department'.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surveyed and cataloged over 200 volunteers for vaccination efforts. • Health Educator/Youth Services Assistant Hannah Truncale started on March 22nd. • The new and improved www.bernardshealth.org was launched for residents. The Health Department has full control over the website and will be able to post information regarding COVID-19 testing and vaccine clinics as they become available. New features include an alert banner at the top of the webpage to help direct residents.



April



- The BTHD received a small allocation of Janssen (Johnson & Johnson, J&J) vaccine. A small clinic was planned but postponed due to the vaccine pause (due to reports of blood clots).
- As vaccine allocation came in, the BTHD team monitored the COVID-19 vaccine storage refrigerator and submitted all required information to the NJDOH. *
- The BTHD created multiple versions of a COVID-19 vaccination consent form and stored in a dedicated filing space
- Maintained a roster of both general and clinical volunteers to assist at clinics if needed including Spanish speaking individuals.
- Vaccine clinic supplies ordered in anticipation of clinics opening.
- Applied for a state grant to fund a part-time nurse to increase COVID-19 vaccine administration.

May



- Received an allocation of 100 J&J and 300 Moderna doses. Clinics planned and executed by Health Educators, VPOC, COVID-19 Generalist and Public Health Nurse (*see page 16 for specific grant work and deliverables*).
- State grant submitted to fund a part time public health nurse and a COVID-19 Generalist to continue to increase vaccine administration.
- Began to create a monthly clinic schedule, secured locations, nursing staff, general staff, volunteers, EMS presence and more for each clinic.
- Worked with the Visiting Nurses Association to primarily staff COVID-19 vaccine clinics.

June & July



- Stayed up to date on the COVID-19 vaccine process in New Jersey via daily State led vaccinator calls. *
- Weekly COVID-19 updates switched to bi-monthly reporting. Cases continued to be updated weekly.
- J&J clinics scheduled for every Wednesday afternoon in July and August.
- Pharmacy student Regan Asay trained nurses on proper reconstitution and administration of the Pfizer vaccine.
- Began advertising for all COVID-19 vaccine clinics via press release, email list, flyers in both English and Spanish, and A-frame signs.



- Maintained relationships with local churches, food pantries and Farmer’s Markets to collaborate on COVID-19 vaccination clinics.
- The BTHD began to monitor a surge in cases due to the Delta variant.
- **Vaccine Efforts**
 - **June** – Received an allocation of 100 J&J doses and Moderna second doses. Clinics held at St. James Church and Bernards Township Community Center, as well as drive through clinics held in partnership with the food pantry pick up at Good Shepherd Church.
 - **July** – Received an allocation of 100 J&J doses and Moderna second doses. Weekly clinics scheduled for J&J every Wednesday in July. Moderna second dose clinic scheduled

August



- Received updated school guidance for the 2021-2022 school year. Worked with local school districts to help implement COVID-19 mitigation efforts in the schools.
- Continued to receive updated childcare guidance as the new school year started. Helped pre-schools, daycares and other childcare centers implement COVID-19 mitigation strategies into their facilities.
- Hired Jaclyn Handwerger as REHS/COVID-19 Generalist.
 - Created an SOP for COVID-19 Childcare Guidance to distribute to childcare centers.
 - Completed CDRSS and NJIIS training.
- **Vaccine Efforts**
 - Received an allocation of 100 J&J doses and 204 Pfizer doses. Weekly J&J clinics continued every Wednesday in August. First dose clinic for Pfizer held in August specifically marketed towards those 12-17 years old.

September



- Facilitated two presentations for school nurses based on the COVID-19 mitigation guidance for K-12 schools. One presentation was for Morris County school nurses within the BTHD jurisdiction while the other was for the Somerset County School Nurses Association in conjunction with the other Somerset County Health Departments.
- Continued to monitor COVID-19 in schools due to the continued surge in Delta variant cases.
- Hired Maria Novoa Besteiro as Public Health Nurse.
 - Completed CDRSS and NJIIS training
- **Vaccine Efforts**
 - Received additional J&J and Pfizer doses.
 - Vaccine clinics (J&J only) conducted every Wednesday in September at the Bernards Township Community Center.
 - Second dose Pfizer clinic held in September at Saint James Church.

October



- Flu clinics held to decrease the incidence of respiratory illness in the Bernards Township area.
- *"The Doctors Are In: A COVID-19 Conversation"* – COVID-19 educational program on Zoom with Dr. John Salaki and Dr. Frank Sinatra. The doctors answered questions from the audience and discussed important topics including information about vaccines, booster shots, pediatric COVID-19 patients, the history of pandemics and more.
- **Vaccine Efforts**
 - Received allocations as requested for Pfizer, J&J and Moderna.
 - Vaccine clinics conducted on Tuesdays and Wednesdays throughout October at the Bernards Township Community Center.

November



- Offered flu shots at COVID-19 vaccine clinics to continue to decrease the incidence of respiratory illness in the Bernards Township area.
- **Vaccine Efforts**
 - Continued to receive allocations of Pfizer, J&J, and Moderna.
 - Started to receive Pediatric (ages 5-11) COVID-19 vaccine.
 - Vaccine clinics conducted on Tuesdays and Wednesdays throughout November at the Bernards Township Community Center (Pfizer, J&J and Moderna).
 - Pediatric COVID-19 vaccine clinics held on specific Mondays in November at Saint James Church.

December



- Began to monitor a surge in cases due to the Omicron variant.
- **Vaccine Efforts**
 - Continued to receive allocations of Pediatric Pfizer, Pfizer, J&J and Moderna.
 - Provided booster shots and third doses as the Omicron surge continued.
 - Public Health Nurse provided vaccinations to the homebound population.

**The New Jersey Department of Health -
(NJDOH) Office of Local Public Health (OLPH)
Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program**

- The Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2021 is a non-competitive grant funding opportunity offered to all eligible non-LINCS Agency local health departments (LHDs) to boost public health capacity during COVID-19 response.
- \$142,236 was awarded to Bernards Township Health Department to fund
 - **a). Public Health Capacity Operations (OP)** to reimburse eligible COVID-19 expenses (\$21,915); and
 - **b). Vulnerable Populations Coordination (VPC)** to assess, mitigate and respond to the social and health impacts of COVID-19 on at-risk populations through targeted outreach through the hiring of Vulnerable Populations Outreach Coordinators (VPOCs) (\$120,321).
- This funding opportunity was extended until 6/30/2022 under the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity Program 2022 (7/1/2021-6/30/2022).
- Through this program, additional funding was offered to LHDs to hire **COVID-19 Generalists (CVG)** to assist with outreach to vulnerable populations, POD planning, logistics, testing, contact tracing, and other COVID-19 related activities. \$291,042 was awarded to Bernards Township Health Department: \$34,000 in OP funds, \$140,375 in VPC funds, and \$116,667 in CVG funds.

- **VPOC Deliverables:**
 - Managed all program activities and finances of state-funded grant to comply with NJDOH requirements.
 - Created and submitted quarterly progress reports encapsulating all program activities during the quarter.
 - Assisted the Chief Financial Officer (CFO) in creating quarterly budget reports for state-funded grant.
 - Conducted a vulnerable population assessment to identify and describe at-risk populations in the local community, including census data on each of our 6 towns.
 - Communicated with faith-based organizations to provide healthcare resources for underserved populations, specifically those with limited to no health insurance.
 - Coordinated a homebound, vaccination program to allow bedridden and disabled community residents to access COVID-19 vaccines in their homes,
 - Organized monthly meetings with local VPOCs to collaborate and discuss best practices to help serve at-risk populations in local communities.
 - Worked with NJDOH Program and Grant managers to manage state-funded grant.



- Maintained a vulnerable populations email distribution list to disseminate pertinent information to community partners regarding COVID-19 prevention, vaccination, testing, contact tracing, and social support messaging.
 - Participated in monthly/quarterly meetings with local stakeholders including faith-based organizations, state/county health departments, LINCS Social Support Coordinators and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs).
 - Attended quarterly NJDOH Grantee meetings to share progress and best practices.
 - Provided testing and vaccination statistics to County LINCS agency through weekly survey.
 - Utilized the System for Administering Grants Electronically (SAGE) to track and manage grant-related activities.
 - Distributed letters to restaurants, churches, businesses, schools, libraries, and food establishments including COVID-19 vaccination and testing information.
 - Re-applied for additional funding from the Strengthening Local Public Health Capacity grant.
- **CVG Deliverables:**
 - Assisted the VPOC with coordination of COVID-19 vaccine and testing clinics.
 - Assisted in the operation of weekly COVID-19 vaccine clinics sponsored by the Health Department.
 - Compiled data on COVID-19 cases and break through cases for the 6 communities through CDRSS.
 - Assisted with vaccine delivery and refrigerator monitoring.
 - Assisted the VPOC and Public Health Nurse with coordinating a homebound, vaccination program to allow bedridden and disabled community residents to access COVID-19 vaccines in their homes.
 - Created signage for COVID-19 clinics to each of the 6 communities.
 - Created and submitted quarterly progress reports encapsulating all program activities during the quarter.
 - Attended quarterly NJDOH Grantee meetings to share progress and best practices.



The New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) – Office of Local Public Health’s (OLPH) COVID-19 Vaccination Supplemental Funding 2022/2023

- **Grant period: 7/1/2021-6/30/2022**
- The COVID-19 Vaccination Supplemental Funding Program 2022/2023 is a non-competitive grant funding opportunity offered to county and local health departments (LHDs) to support COVID-19 mass vaccination efforts and increase COVID-19 vaccination among high-risk, underserved, and vulnerable populations.
- These funds are also used to promote mobile and off-site vaccine clinics to increase COVID-19 vaccine confidence in racial and ethnic minority and increase accessibility for people with disabilities.
- Bernards Township Health Department was awarded \$50,000 to hire a Public Health Nurse to expand vaccination efforts.
- **Program Deliverables:**
 - The Public Health Nurse attended quarterly NJDOH Grantee meetings to share progress and best practices.
 - Participated in weekly evening and weekend vaccination clinics.
 - Worked with underserved populations and faith-based organizations to encourage vaccine uptake.
 - Created and submitted quarterly progress reports encapsulating all program activities during the quarter.
 - Vaccinated individuals aged 5 years and older at weekly vaccination clinics.
 - Vaccinated homebound and disabled individuals in homes.
 - Maintained inventory of clinical supplies necessary for vaccine clinics.
 - Partnered, planned, and implemented vaccination activities with critical organizations including churches and FQHCs.
 - Participated in monthly/quarterly meetings with local stakeholders including faith-based organizations, state/county health departments, LINCS Social Support Coordinators and FQHCs.



COVID-19 WEEKLY UPDATES

**Varied between weekly and bi-monthly during the year*

Date	#	Topic
1/7/2021	58	Signing up for COVID-19 Vaccine notifications in NJCSS, COVID-19 FAQ Corner – NJVSS, Vaccine Series, Isolation from Positive Family Member, UK COVID-19 Variant Strain, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations
1/14/2021	59	Rollout of COVID-19 Vaccine order, Important COVID-19 Vaccine Links, Phases of COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout, Somerset County Hope & Healing, COVID-19 FAQ Corner – Vaccines at the same time as COVID-19 Vaccine, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations
1/21/2021	60	Health Officer Letter regarding COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout
1/28/2021	61	NJ State COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline, COVID-19 School Guidance, UK COVID-19 Variant Update, How to Get Vaccinated, Volunteers for BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine clinic planning, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
2/4/2021	62	COVID-19 FAQ Corner – Wearing 2 Masks, School Quarantine, BTHD Vaccine Clinic Update, Smell Training after COVID-19, EO #219 – Indoor capacity limits, Sign up for RAVE Alerts, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
2/11/2021	63	BTHD Vaccine Clinic Updates, How to Use RAVE Alerts, Vaccine Scheduling Websites, Updated CDC Guidance for COVID Exposure, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
2/18/2021	64	County Vaccine Sites, COVID-19 Variant Information – UK, South African, Brazilian, Tips for Vaccine Scheduling, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
2/25/2021	65	UCSF COVID-19 School of Medicine Update, Updates from the Governor’s Office, NJ Vaccine Dashboard, COVID FAQ Corner – testing positive within the last 90 days, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
3/4/2021	66	NJ Vaccine Call Center 75+ Programs, Updates from Governor’s Office – weddings, How Long Should I Quarantine? Expanded Eligibility for COVID-19 vaccines, Vaccine Securing Resources, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
3/11/2021	67	Travel Guidance for Vaccinated Individuals, What Can I Do When I’m Vaccinated? Updates from the Governor’s Office – outdoor gathering limits, indoor capacity increase to 50%, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources



3/18/2021	68	VaccineFinder, How to Combat COVID-19 with Vaccines and Treatments, Accessing Dedicated COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments – seniors, etc., J&J Vaccine, COVID-19 Vaccines and Breastfeeding, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
3/25/2021	69	Updated Minimum Quarantine Timeframes, NJDOH School Guidance Update, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
4/1/2021	70	Health Officer Letter – Passing the 1-year mark, COVID-19 vaccine rollout, Hiring the VPOC
4/8/2021	71	COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility Update, Vaccinating the Homebound, Updated Travel Guidance for Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Travelers, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
4/15/2021	72	COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility Update – 55+, High Ed, etc., all New Jerseyans, V-Safe, Statement from NJ Health Commissioner – Judith Persichilli, Reporting Adverse Reactions, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
4/22/2021	73	All NJ Residents Eligible for COVID-19 Vaccination, J&J Vaccine Adverse Reactions, C19VaxxUpdates on Twitter, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
4/29/2021	74	NJ Updates from the Governor – outdoor mask mandates, guidance for graduations, outdoor gathering limits, indoor capacity, indoor dining, outdoor dining, Choosing Safer Activities – CDC, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
5/6/2021	75	BTHD Receives COVID-19 Vaccine, Updates from the Governor’s Office – outdoor gathering limit increased, large venues, bar seating, carnivals, and fairs, ban on youth sports lifted, removal of all capacity limits, Walk In Vaccine Clinics in NJ, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
5/13/2021	76	Updates from the Governor’s Office – no limit on outdoor gathering, increase indoor gatherings to 50 persons, Expansion of Pfizer Vaccine for ages 12+, BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, At-Home COVID-19 Test Kits, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
5/20/2021	77	Updated Travel and Masking Clarification for K-12 Schools, Upcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
5/27/2021	78	COVID-19 Restrictions Being Lifted – Indoor Mask Mandate, Social Distancing, Dance floors, bars and restaurants, Indoor Gatherings, Group limits in Childcare, HIPAA and COVID-19 Vaccines, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources



6/3/2021	79	Myocarditis and Pericarditis following COVID-19 Vaccinations, Tracking COVID-19 Variants – Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, COVID-19 FAQ Corner – incubation time for COVID, missing vaccine doses, waiting to get vaccinated following COVID-19, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
6/10/2021	80	COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens, Weekly Update Becoming Bi-monthly, Bernards COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
6/24/2021	81	Coadministration of COVID-19 Vaccines with Routine Vaccinations, Reminder of Bi-monthly Updates, Weekly COVID-19 Testing at the BTHD, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
7/1/2021	82	Stay Safe This Summer, NJ and COVID-19 Variants, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
7/15/2021	83	NJ Digital COVID-19 Vaccine Card – Docket, Guillain-Barre Syndrome following J&J Vaccines, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
7/29/2021	84	COVID-19 Delta Variant, Families with Vaccinated and Unvaccinated Members, Getting Vaccinated Amidst Delta, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
8/12/2021	85	Back to School BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic, NJ Variant Surveillance Report, CDC Advisory for Pregnant Women and COVID-19 Vaccine, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
8/16/2021	86	BTHD Flu Clinics, FDA Approves Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
9/9/2021	87	K-12 School Guidance for the New School Year, Variants of Concern, Variants of Interest, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
9/24/2021	88	BTHD Flu Clinic information, COVID-19 Vaccinations for Homebound Seniors, Updated COVID-19 Public Health Recommendations for Youth Sports, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
9/30/2021	89	COVID-19 Boosters Dose and Third Doses, COVID-19 Vaccine and Flu Vaccine Information, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD



		COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
10/22/2021	<u>90</u>	“The Doctors Are In: A COVID-19 Conversation” presented by the BTHD and Dr. Salaki & Dr. Sinatra. FDA and CDC Clears Moderna Boosters and Mix and Match Approach for COVID-19 Vaccinations, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
11/4/2021	<u>91</u>	CDC Recommendations of Pfizer Vaccine for 5-11 Year Olds, BTHD Offers all 3 COVID-19 Vaccines for Boosters and Third Doses, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
11/18/2021	<u>92</u>	BTHD Receives Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccine, COVID-19 Vaccine Emergency Use Instructions – updated for boosters and third doses, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
12/2/2021	<u>93</u>	BTHD Vaccine Clinic Reminders for Cold Weather, COVID-19 Omicron Variant, COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Updates and Eligibility, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources
12/17/2021	<u>94</u>	Expansion of Pfizer Boosters for Ages 16-17, Free At-Home COVID-19 Saliva Testing from Vault Testing, Updated Quarantine Timeframes and K-12 School Guidance, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Testing, Weekly BTHD COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics, Case Graphs, Weekly CALI score, NJ COVID resources, Testing Locations, Vaccine Resources



BERNARDS TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT
COVID-19 VACCINE CLINICS

MAY								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
May 7	25	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	25
May 20	19	N/A	27	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	46
May 22	9	N/A	15	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	24
May 26	15	N/A	15	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	30
May Monthly Total	68	N/A	57	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	125

JUNE								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Jun 2	31	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	31
Jun 16	36	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	36
Jun 17	N/A	N/A	25	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	25
Jun 19	8	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	20
Jun 23	4	N/A	13	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	17
Jun 30	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7
June Monthly Total	86	N/A	N/A	50	N/A	N/A	N/A	136

JULY								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Jul 7	11	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	11
Jul 14	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	5
Jul 21	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7
Jul 24	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12
Jul 28	13	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	13
July Monthly Total	48	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	48



AUGUST								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Aug 4	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12
Aug 11	18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	18
Aug 18	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
Aug 23	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	42	4	N/A	46
Aug 25	10	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
August Monthly Total	50	N/A	N/A	N/A	42	4	N/A	96

SEPTEMBER								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Sep 1	9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9
Sep 8	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7
Sep 13	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	41	2	N/A	43
Sep 15	16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	16
Sep 22	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6
Sep 29	7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	7
SEPTEMBER Monthly Total	45	N/A	N/A	N/A	41	2	N/A	88

OCTOBER								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3 rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Oct 5	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	58	N/A	60
Oct 6	1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1
Oct 12	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	37	N/A	39
Oct 13	3	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3
Oct 19	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	46	N/A	48
Oct 20	6	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	6
Oct 26	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
Oct 27	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0



OCTOBER Monthly Total	10	0	0	0	6	141	0	157
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NOVEMBER								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster/3rd Dose	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Nov 3	10	N/A	N/A	88	N/A	N/A	N/A	98
Nov 9	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	72	N/A	76
Nov 10	3	4	2	98	N/A	N/A	N/A	107
Nov 16	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	10	78	N/A	88
Nov 17	4	15	N/A	101	N/A	N/A	N/A	120
Nov 22	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	175	175
Nov 29	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	121	121
Nov 30	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	94	N/A	103
NOVEMBER Monthly Total	17	19	N/A	285	23	244	296	888

DECEMBER								
Date	J&J	J&J Booster	Moderna	Moderna Booster/3rd Dose	Pfizer	Pfizer Booster/ 3rd Dose	Peds Pfizer	Daily Total
Dec 1	N/A	5	2	88	N/A	N/A	N/A	95
Dec 7	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	9	105	N/A	114
Dec 8	2	18	N/A	92	N/A	N/A	N/A	112
Dec 13	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	179	179
Dec 14	3	5	N/A	N/A	5	110	N/A	123
Dec 15	3	25	N/A	88	N/A	N/A	N/A	116
Dec 20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	128	128
Dec 21	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	7		8
DECEMBER Monthly Total	8	N/A	2	268	15	222	307	875

TOTAL COVID-19 VACCINE DOSES ADMINISTERED IN 2021: 2,413



BERNARDS TOWNSHIP HEALTH DEPARTMENT COVID-19 TESTING CLINICS

JANUARY	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Jan 7	256	20	7.8%
Jan 14	280	17	6.1%
Jan 21	97	20	16.49%
Jan 28	208	18	8.65%
TOTAL	843	71	-

MAY	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
May 6	18	0	0%
May 13	4	0	0%
May 20	10	0	0%
May 27	4	0	0%
TOTAL	36	0	-

FEBRUARY	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Feb 4	101	3	2.97%
Feb 11	85	1	1.14%
Feb 23	25	2	8%
Feb 25	45	4	8.9%
TOTAL	256	10	-

JUNE	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Jun 3	11	0	0%
Jun 10	11	0	0%
Jun 17	4	0	0%
Jun 24	9	0	0%
TOTAL	35	0	-

MARCH	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Mar 4	62	2	2.97%
Mar 11	68	6	1.18%
Mar 18	46	4	8%
Mar 25	57	1	8.9%
TOTAL	233	13	-

JULY	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Jul 1	7	0	0%
Jul 8	6	0	0%
Jul 15	9	0	0%
Jul 22	14	0	0%
Jul 29	27	0	0%
TOTAL	63	0	-

APRIL	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Apr 1	28	1	3.6%
Apr 8	54	0	0%
Apr 15	58	8	13.8%
Apr 22	28	0	0%
Apr 29	22	0	0%
TOTAL	190	9	-

AUGUST	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Aug 5	43	0	0
Aug 12	57	1	1.75%
Aug 19	45	1	2.2%
Aug 26	29	2	6.9%
TOTAL	174	4	-



SEPTEMBER	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Sep 2	34	3	8.82%
Sep 9	44	3	6.82%
Sep 16	59	1	1.69%
Sep 23	39	0	0%
Sep 30	48	1	2.08%
TOTAL	224	8	-

OCTOBER	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Oct 7	55	1	1.82%
Oct 14	47	1	2.13%
Oct 21	56	0	0%
Oct 28	32	0	0%
TOTAL	190	2	-

NOVEMBER	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Nov 4	41	4	0.098%
Nov 11	63	2	0.032%
Nov 18	66	2	0.030%
TOTAL	170	8	-

DECEMBER	Total Tested	# Positive	% Positive
Dec 2	50	0	0%
Dec 9	67	1	1.5%
Dec 16	149	11	7.4%
Dec 22	279	35	12.5%
Dec 30	288	57	20.5%
TOTAL	833	104	-



2021 BT HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE/CERTIFICATIONS/ACCREDITATIONS:

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- Licensed NJ Health Officer #A-482
- Master Certified Health Education Specialist (MCHES) #492
- Certified Municipal Registrar (CMR) #1432
- Bernards Township Municipal Alliance Against Substance Abuse
- Community in Crisis
- NJ Association of County & City Health Officials (NJACCHO) Communicable Disease Committee, Program Committee
- William Paterson University Alumni School of Public Health Education Spotlight Fall 2021
- Healthier Somerset 2021 Award for Outstanding Community Service in COVID-19 Pandemic
- Greater Somerset Public Health Partnership, Member and Treasurer
- Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC): Bernards Township and contractual municipalities
- Morris County Public Health Partnership
- Morris Somerset Regional Chronic Disease Coalition 2010-Present
- North Jersey Health Collaborative
- Registrars' Association of New Jersey
- Mid-State Registrars' Association
- Somerset County Human Services Advisory Council Member 2006 -Present
- Somerset County Health Officers Association, Treasurer 2005-Present

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- Registered Environmental Health Specialist License #B-102153
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- Passed Health Officer Exam, License #A-102153.
- Master Public Health (MPH), Southern New Hampshire University
- Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor
- Local Emergency Preparedness Committee (LEPC): Bernardsville Borough, Long Hill Township, and Peapack and Gladstone Borough
- New Jersey Environmental Health Association
- Notary Public



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- Mendham Borough Board of Health
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- Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor
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- Certified Animal Cruelty Investigator
- FEMA Animals in Disaster IS-00010 & IS-00012
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- Commcare Contact Tracer

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- Master Certified Health Education Specialist (MCHES) #19897
- Bernards Municipal Alliance
- Certified Youth Mental Health First Aid Instructor
- Disaster Response Crisis Counselor (DRCC)
- The deBeaumont Foundation 40 Under 40 in Public Health
- Community in Crisis
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- Masters Public Health (MPH) - Rutgers University
- Member Society for Public Health Educators (SOPHE)
- New Jersey SOPHE member and Membership Chair
- Rutgers Center For Executive Leadership In Government
- Safe Communities Coalition
- Commcare Contact Tracer



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- New Jersey Society of Public Health Educators, Member
- Certified Health Coach by ACE Fitness
- Morris Somerset Regional Chronic Disease Coalition
- American Heart Association CPR Instructor

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- Vulnerable Populations Outreach Coordinator
- Bachelor of Science - Public Health-Social and Behavioral Sciences, The College of New Jersey
- Certified Contact Tracer - Johns Hopkins University
- NAMI Ending the Silence (ETS) for Young Adults, Presenter
- The College of New Jersey Public Health Alumni Association, Mentor

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- Public Health Nurse

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- Bernards Township Board of Health Secretary
- Registrars' Association of New Jersey
- Mid-State Registrars' Association
- Notary Public

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- Mid-State Registrars' Association



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