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**Gov. Beshear: ‘Now is the Time to Find Your Shot of Hope’**

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (April 21, 2021)** – On Wednesday, Gov. Andy Beshear encouraged all Kentuckians 16 and older to sign up for a COVID-19 vaccine appointment so the commonwealth can reach its 2.5 million vaccine *Team Kentucky Vaccination Challenge* aimed at lowering infections, saving lives and ending this pandemic.

When the 2.5 million vaccine goal is reached, the state will lift most capacity restrictions on many Kentucky businesses.

“As we can see from today’s case numbers, this virus isn’t going away on its own. We have to come together to stop it. Hundreds of Kentuckians are still getting sick every day. Our people are still dying from COVID-19,” said Gov. Beshear. “But we have the power to defeat this pandemic now, and the way we can do that is by choosing to get vaccinated.”

Kentuckians should visit [vaccinemap.ky.gov](https://vaccinemap.ky.gov) to find a COVID-19 vaccination site near where they live.

## Case Information

As of 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, Gov. Beshear reported the following COVID-19 numbers:

Kentuckians vaccinated (have received at least one dose): 1,682,774\*

New cases today: 785

New deaths today: 7

New audit deaths: 6

Positivity rate: 3.39%

Total deaths: 6,373

Currently hospitalized: 417

Currently in ICU: 113

Currently on ventilator: 52

Top counties with the most positive cases today are: Jefferson, Fayette, Boone and Warren. Each county reported at least 34 new cases.

To see a list of those reported lost to the virus today, click [here](#).

\*Vaccination data will continue to update after the state's reporting system completed a security upgrade.

## More Information

To see all vaccination sites and free transportation options to and from vaccination appointments, visit [vaccine.ky.gov](https://vaccine.ky.gov). To see a list of vaccination sites that have openings this week, visit [vaccinemap.ky.gov](https://vaccinemap.ky.gov). If Kentuckians have questions, they should call the state's COVID-19 Vaccine Hotline, [855-598-2246](tel:855-598-2246) or TTY [855-326-4654](tel:855-326-4654) (for deaf or hard-of-hearing Kentuckians).

To view the [full daily report](#), [incidence rate map](#), information on [testing locations](#), [vaccines](#), [contact tracing](#), [school reports and guidance](#), [guidance for health care providers](#) and the White House Coronavirus Task Force reports for Kentucky and more, visit [kycovid19.ky.gov](https://kycovid19.ky.gov).

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