

## News from the Office of Adam J. Bello Monroe County Executive



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## MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ADAM BELLO ANNOUNCES FOUR PEDIATRIC COVID 19 VACCINATION CLINICS FOR 5 – 11 YEAR OLDS

**ROCHESTER, NY** — Monroe County Executive Adam Bello today announced four COVID-19 vaccination clinics for children ages 5 to 11 on Saturdays and Sundays beginning Nov. 6 in Greece, Pittsford and Rochester. These clinics will continue until community demand for pediatric vaccination is met.

"As the father of a 10-year-old, I know many parents are anxious to get their children vaccinated against COVID-19 now that the Centers for Disease Control approved low-dose Pfizer shots for kids ages 5 to 11," said County Executive Bello. "These county-run clinics provide one more option for parents who want access to the vaccine but aren't able to see their pediatrician quickly enough, or for parents whose children don't have a pediatrician. Vaccination is safe, effective and free. It is the most important tool we have to end the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccinating younger children will help slow the spread of this disease and bring us closer to returning to a sense of normalcy."

Appointment-only pediatric clinics will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6 at Pittsford Plaza, 3349 Monroe Ave.; The Mall at Greece Ridge, 112 Greece Ridge Center Drive.; and at the Monroe Community College Downtown Campus, 321 State Street and Morrie Silver Way.

There are a limited number of walk-in slots available for youth ages 5 to 11 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 7 at the Edgerton R-Center, 41 Backus Street.

The four clinics will not be administering vaccines to adults on the days of pediatric vaccinations.

All minors must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Appointments can be booked via monroecounty.gov.

Monroe County is also seeking additional vaccinators to assist with the pediatric vaccination efforts. Details are available at monroecounty.gov.

"The County run pediatric vaccine sites provide parents with another option for getting their child vaccinated in a more timely manner," said Bello. "We recognize that the demand on our pediatrician's offices, healthcare facilities and pharmacies may be overwhelming during the initial rollout. With the addition of more vaccinators, we will scale up the effort at each site."

This initiative is a support partnership with local hospital and physician networks Accountable Health Partners (AHP) and the Greater Rochester Independent Practice Association (GRIPA). Some appointment slots are reserved for area pediatric groups to provide care to their own patients.

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