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CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

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WCMA distributes member bulletins focused on coronavirus information on Thursdays and as breaking news warrants. WCMA delivers electronic newsletters with broader content on Tuesdays. Please contact [WCMA staff](#) with any questions.

Biden Urges Open Vaccination by April 19

President Joe Biden announced Tuesday that he is [moving up his deadline](#) for states to make all American adults eligible for a coronavirus vaccine by almost two weeks, urging open vaccination access beginning April 19.

Nationwide, more than 171 million coronavirus vaccine doses have been administered, with 64.4 million Americans, approximately 19.6 percent of the population, now fully vaccinated.

Wisconsin Tops 2M Vaccinated, Releases Updated Guidance for Vaccinated and Unvaccinated People

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (WDHS) today [published data](#) showing that more 2 million Wisconsinites are now vaccinated, an amount equal to approximately 35 percent of the population. State vaccinators have now administered 3.2 million vaccine doses, and continue to lead the nation in use of federally-allocated vaccine resources.

With the statewide vaccination campaign progressing, WDHS also this week published updates to its [Staying Safe in Your Community](#) webpage to include new recommendations for both fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people for a variety of spring and summer activities.

State-by-State Vaccination Access Information

By the end of this week, 38 U.S. states will offer COVID-19 vaccination to the general public, and all states are now vaccinating essential, front-line workers.

WCMA is pleased to provide links to vaccination scheduling resources in these key dairy processing states:

- [California](#)
- [Idaho](#)
- [Illinois](#)
- [Iowa](#)
- [Michigan](#)
- [Minnesota](#)
- [New Mexico](#)
- [New York](#)
- [Ohio](#)
- [Pennsylvania](#)
- [South Dakota](#)
- [Tennessee](#)
- [Texas](#)
- [Vermont](#)
- [Wisconsin](#)

USDA Again Accepting CFAP2 Applications

The U.S. Department of Agriculture this week reopened the application period for the [Coronavirus Food Assistance Program](#), offering agricultural producers aid to offset pandemic-related losses. Applications will be accepted for "at least 60 days" following its opening on April 5.

Coronavirus Headline News

Wisconsin

- *WLUK-TV*: [Rolling average of Wisconsin COVID-19 cases continues to rise](#)
- *Wausau Daily Herald*: [New COVID-19 cases continue to tick in the wrong direction](#)
- *WTMJ-TV*: [Health departments urge vaccines and continued virus mitigation as case numbers rise](#)
- *WDHS News Release*: [Douglas County community vaccination clinic to open April 13](#)

National/International

- *Politico*: [Biden administration weeks behind on COVID-19 workplace safety rules](#)
- *Associated Press*: [Are some COVID-19 vaccines more effective than others?](#)
- *KING-TV*: [New CDC COVID cleaning guidelines emphasizes soap and water for surfaces](#)

Visit WisCheeseMakers.org for More Resources

WCMA's coronavirus resources page on [WisCheeseMakers.org](https://www.wischeesemakers.org) is updated daily, featuring information on employee safety, regulatory flexibility, operations guidance, federal and state support, and salutes to your critical, essential staff.

WCMA Key Contacts

Members with pandemic-related questions or concerns should feel encouraged to contact WCMA staff at any time. Here are ways to get in touch.

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