WHAT’s UP?
August 17th new vlog posted!
New COVID-19 updates posted weekly with captions in both English and Spanish.

Nuevas actualizaciones de COVID-19 publicadas semanalmente, con subtítulos en inglés y español.

Click [here](#) for vlog

Find us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/DEAFIncMA](http://www.facebook.com/DEAFIncMA)
Encuentranos en Facebook: [www.facebook.com/DEAFIncMA](http://www.facebook.com/DEAFIncMA)
Open for appointments on Tuesdays & Thursdays!

- Boston Office
- Lawrence Office
- New Bedford Office
- Salem Office

If you receive IL services in Taunton, you can go to New Bedford for an appointment. Contact your staff.

Appointment REQUIRED.
Sorry, no walk-in/frog services.

Masks REQUIRED before Entering

All staff continue to provide IL services remotely Mon-Fri.
Want more information? Contact your IL staff.
Check out our vlog on Facebook.

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Office Locations: Allston • Hyannis • Lawrence • New Bedford • Salem • Taunton
# of Cases MAP
Your town now has a Color Code!!

Red — 9 or more cases per 100k people
Yellow — 4-8 cases per 100k people
Green — 1-3 cases per 100k people
White — 4 or fewer reported cases total

Rate Change MAP
Your town now has a Color Coded PIN!!

Red Pin—means town has increase to Positive COVID-19 Rate.
Green Pin—town had decrease in COVID-19 rate
Yellow pin—no change.
Mastering Face Masks and Hearing Loss: Practical Tips and Strategies
Wednesday, September 9, 2020
2:00PM to 3:00PM

All About Utilities
Tuesday, September 15, 2020
1:15pm—2:30pm

Want to know about Voting?
September 16, 2020
3:15pm to 4:30pm

Need to learn to Zoom?
Contact us!

*more information on the workshops will be available in the next newsletter
DEAF, Inc. Salem office new location.
Same building, same floor, around the corner, larger space, new number
Find us in suite #220!

DEAF, Inc.
35 Congress St. Suite #220
Salem, MA 01970

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**Chances of Transmission**

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Travel to another state—not listed——->>>
YOU must complete and submit a Massachusetts Travel form
&
Quarantine for 14 days or produce a negative COVID19 test after arriving.

Massachusetts Travel Form
https://www.mass.gov/forms/massachusetts-travel-form

Current Lower Risk states
https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-travel-order#lower-risk-states-

Where to get a COVID-19 Test
https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-testing

The Governor's interpreted announcement:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o1bWAaauWoU&feature=emb_logo.
Click on the link, to update your map
https://www.covidexitstrategy.org/

Green (Trending Better) : ME, NH, VT, NY

Yellow (Caution): MA, NJ, PA, WV, MI, WY, OR, DE

Red (Trending Poorly): RI, MD, VA, NC, OH, IL, IN, KY, MN, IL, WI, SD, NB, SD, CO, NM, UT, MT, AK HI

Maroon (Uncontrolled Spread): all others
Extended to September 12

Brockton    Chelsea    Lawrence    Framingham
Randolph   Everett    Methuen    Agawam
Taunton     Lynn       Lowell     Worcester
Fall River  Revere             Marlborough
New Bedford                         Springfield

Free COVID-19 test.
No Symptoms needed
All residents of above towns encouraged to get tested
https://www.mass.gov/info-details/stop-the-spread

Eligibility
• Open to everyone
• You don’t need to have any symptom(s)
• No cost to you
• Testing not only for residents of these towns

Mass 211
Informational and referral hotline [211]
24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
All calls are free and confidential. Interpreter services are available in multiple languages.
SNAP Online Purchasing Program

www.mass.gov/snap-online-purchasing-program

Buy Food Online Using SNAP

Attention MA residents: You can now use SNAP benefits to buy food online at Amazon and Walmart.

How It Works

1. **Add your SNAP EBT card to your Amazon and/or Walmart account**
2. **Shop online for SNAP authorized foods**
   - Look for “SNAP EBT eligible” on Amazon
3. **Checkout using your EBT PIN:**
   - You cannot use cash benefits on an EBT card to pay
   - SNAP benefits cannot be used to pay for shipping or delivery fees
4. **Schedule your delivery**
   - Available with Amazon and some Walmart locations

To learn more or apply for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP):
www.Mass.gov/SNAPonline

SNAP EBT cards can be used to order food delivery from Amazon and food **pick up** from Walmart.
# State and Federal Contact Information

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**General COVID-19 Info**
- Call 211
- [https://mass211.org/](https://mass211.org/)
- Chat live online

**Sign up for statewide COVID-19 text alerts:**
- Text **COVIDMA** to 888-777 to start receiving alerts
- [www.mass.gov/covid19](http://www.mass.gov/covid19)

**Sign up for COVID-19 alerts from City of Boston**
- Text **BOSCOVID** to 99411 to start receiving alerts

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Text To 911 Now Available

State 911 Department Says “Call if you can, text if you can’t”

Emergency call 911
1st Best VP, TTY, Voice
2nd Best Text

Not fill out census form? Census will come to your door.

REMINDER

Contact Tracing

Receive a call from “MA COVID-19 Team”? Answer it! You may have been in contact with coronavirus.