

Mobile Vaccination Unit In Connecticut Will Cease Operations On June 16

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The second Connecticut Mobile Vaccination Unit, which went into service on May 7, has ended operations today, June 16. The unit concluded its eleven-city tour at the Bridgeport Department of Health, 752 East Main Street in Bridgeport today.

Cities on the tour included Hartford, Meriden, Danbury, Dayville, Willimantic, Norwich, Waterbury, Middletown, New Haven, Norwalk and finally Bridgeport. The unit was staffed by UConn Health, Griffin Health, Hartford Healthcare, and Trinity Health of New England. All sites were supported by Connecticut National Guard and municipal partners for non-critical staffing.

During its tour of the cities, the unit administered more than 4,000 second doses of the Pfizer vaccine, complemented ongoing efforts of local public health departments, health care providers, pharmacies, community and faith-based organizations, employers, private sector vaccinators and other federal resources. Municipal and community partners also coordinated outreach to high-risk and vulnerable residents and assisted with appointment scheduling.

“This project is another example of a successful collaboration between a wide range of stakeholders, and we are grateful to all the participating health systems, the Connecticut National Guard and all our local partners for making the Mobile Vaccination Unit a success,” said Acting Connecticut Department of Public Health Commissioner Deidre S. Gifford, MD, MPH.

According to FEMA Acting Region 1 Administrator and Federal Coordinating Officer Paul Ford, “We were excited for the opportunity to work with the State of Connecticut in providing this Mobile Vaccination Unit to the residents and families of the state. This joint effort has allowed residents who could not reach a Community Vaccination Center get vaccinated.”

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