

## **From: Stop & Shop**

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### **New Rochelle Mayor Noam Bramson Joined Stop & Shop Pharmacists in Call for Residents to Get Their Flu Shots**

*\*\*\*\*\*Mayor Rolled Up Sleeve and Received Flu Shot\*\*\*\*\**

New Rochelle Mayor Noam Bramson, received his flu shot from Stop & Shop Pharmacists at the New Rochelle Stop & Shop and called on residents of his city, which was the epicenter of the COVID-19 pandemic in March, to get their flu shots as early as possible this fall. Although New Rochelle's local infection rate has declined significantly since the spring, more than 3,200 people in New Rochelle have contracted COVID-19 since the pandemic began.

"It's important to get a flu shot every year, but even more so this year due to the convergence of both flu and coronavirus this fall," said Stop & Shop Manager of Pharmacy Operations, Lina Boiano. "Reducing flu is going to be extremely important this year and Stop & Shop has worked to ensure that we have enough vaccinations available in all pharmacies to keep our communities safe this fall."

"Getting a flu vaccine is the best way to keep yourself healthy, while also ensuring that our health care system has the capacity to treat those most in need," said Mayor Bramson. "Having taken aggressive measures to confront COVID, New Rochelle understands the high stakes better than almost any community in America, so let's once again act responsibly by getting ourselves vaccinated."

- The CDC suggests everyone 6 months and older receives a vaccination in advance of the flu season.
- Stop & Shop is taking extensive health and safety precautions at its pharmacies and has secured additional stock of the flu vaccine, anticipating higher demand as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Customers will be required to wear face covering, and pharmacists will be equipped with masks, gloves and face shields.
- The immunization area will have strict disinfecting and sanitization measures in place between each patient.
- Stop & Shop is well-stocked and can offer immunizations without appointments.

- While prices associated with vaccinations are dependent upon customers' insurance plans, most end up being low or no-cost.
- Stop & Shop will be able to administer the nasal spray flu vaccine FluMist to those 2 years and up, and traditional intramuscular flu shot for those 3 years and up. No prescription is needed for either vaccine type
- Stop & Shop pharmacies also have an ample supply of shingles and pneumonia vaccines available.

### **About Stop & Shop**

A neighborhood grocer for more than 100 years, today's Stop & Shop is refreshed, reenergized and inspired, delivering new conveniences for customers. Committed to helping its communities enjoy better food and better lives, Stop & Shop has a longstanding history of giving back to the neighborhoods it serves with a focus on fighting hunger and pediatric cancer research and care. The Stop & Shop Supermarket Company LLC, an Ahold Delhaize USA Company, employs more than 60,000 associates and operates over 400 stores throughout Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York and New Jersey. To learn more about Stop & Shop, visit [www.stopandshop.com](http://www.stopandshop.com).