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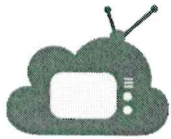
Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders and other lawmakers grilled Moderna officials on a proposed price hike of COVID-19 vaccines.

The recent announcement frustrated most Democrats, who say the price hike is unfair to taxpayers who helped pay for the research and purchase of billions of vaccines. Sanders, who chairs the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, says the vaccine costs just \$3 dollars for Moderna to make but will be sold for \$130. He asked Moderna CEO Stephane Bancel to reconsider the price hike.

Republicans on the committee said Moderna is only reaping the benefits of creating and marketing a successful product.

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Radio Vermont › Monday ANS - 3/6/2023 › B4 COVID Numbers

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The weekly report from the Vermont Department of Health says that COVID case counts and hospitalizations were both down over the last week.

Hospitalizations fell by 5 cases to 37 last week, they were as low as 30 last fall.

Total cases fell to 350, from 433.

There were 8 COVID-related deaths in the last week.

There have been 23 deaths so far in February; there were 24 in January, as data was adjusted based on more information.

Deaths are not spiking this winter as they have the previous two. However, the state has not had a month with fewer than 17 COVID related deaths since July of 2021.

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The Vermont Department of Health says Vermont's Covid community levels remained "low" this past week.

The number of cases, hospital admissions and people in Vermont hospitals for Covid have remained steady in recent weeks.

The state reported 37 hospital admissions for Covid in the past week, compared to 42 the week before.

On Wednesday, 34 people were hospitalized in Vermont for Covid, Four in intensive care.

The department reported 350 Covid cases in the past week, compared to 433 cases the week before.

Health department spokesperson Ben Truman said in an email that the department stopped reporting PCR testing data on two weeks ago because they claim is no longer "a good picture of COVID information in Vermont."

The number of people arriving at emergency departments with Covid symptoms is similar to February of last year.

Average daily hospital admissions for Covid this month were somewhat lower than in February 2022 — down to about six per day from about 10 per day.

Bennington and Rutland counties had medium Covid community levels in the past week, the rest of the counties are considered low.

The health department reported eight additional Covid deaths this week, bringing February's total to 23. The state has not had a month with fewer than 17 COVID related death reported since July of 2021.

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Radio Vermont News

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A vaccine trial for Lyme disease taking place in Vermont has been halted by the drugmaker Pfizer.

The Boston-based research company Care Access kicked off the trials last year in various locations -- including a mobile clinic in Brattleboro -- to enroll people in the study.

Participants were to get a series of three shots to try to build immunity to the bacteria that causes Lyme disease.

But now Care Access, in a statement, says ~~tells~~ Pfizer decided to pull out of the study. "Pfizer informed us of its decision to discontinue thousands of study participants only recently, and we disagree with the decision and its basis...We are most disappointed for the study participants and are heartbroken about the impact this will have on the underserved communities," officials said.

In a statement earlier this month, Pfizer said it decided to discontinue about half of the participants in the study citing "violations of good clinical practice at certain clinical trial sites run by a third-party clinical trial site operator."

It said there were no safety concerns with the vaccine itself.

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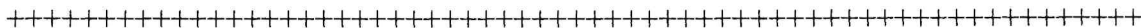
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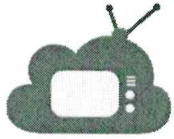
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Radio Vermont › Tuesday ANS - 3/7/2023 › B2 Town Meeting

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Today's Town Meeting Day will, for many towns, return to an in-person gathering.

Members of the Vermont League of Cities and Towns estimates 182 cities and towns will use some sort of floor voting with about 69 of them holding pure floor meetings.

That's the most since 2019.

That means most Vermonters will be voting via Australian, or secret ballot. But not everyone will be voting today.

The VLCT says it believes five municipalities appear to have postponed Town Meeting.

That includes Isle La Motte, Sheffield, Wardsboro, Vershire and the town of Windham.

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