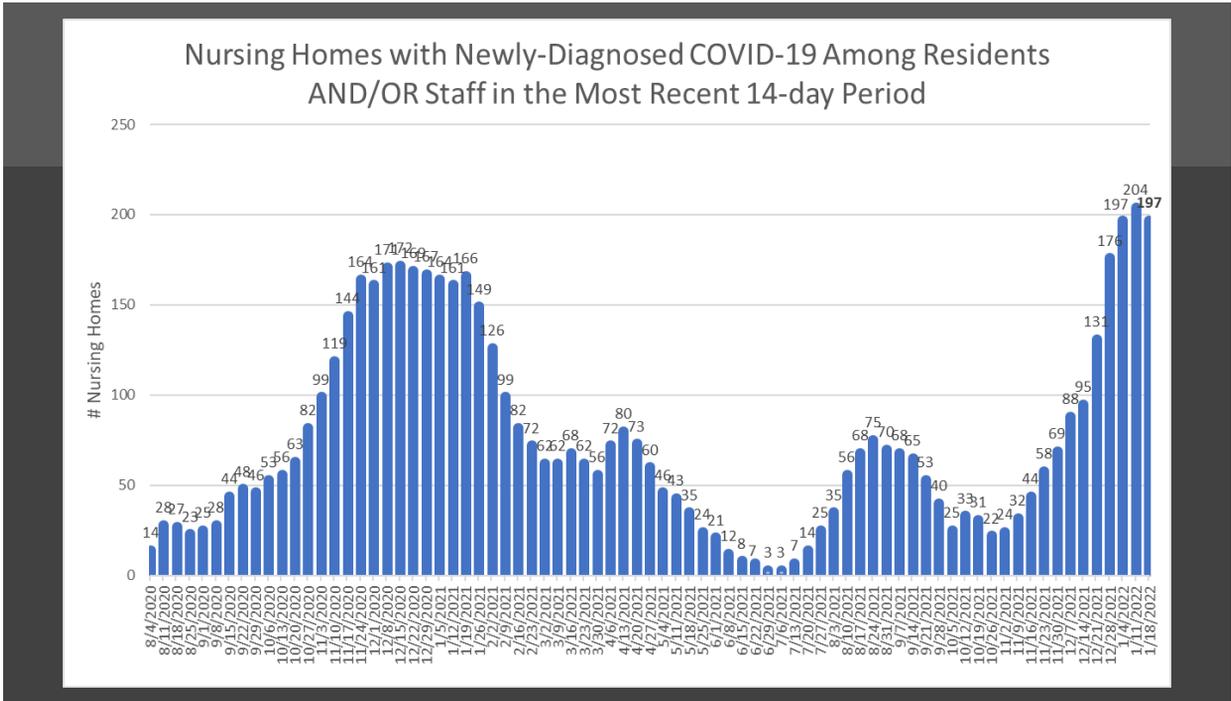




# Agenda – January 26, 2022

- \*Nursing Home Data
- \*TNA Program
- \*Recent Executive Orders

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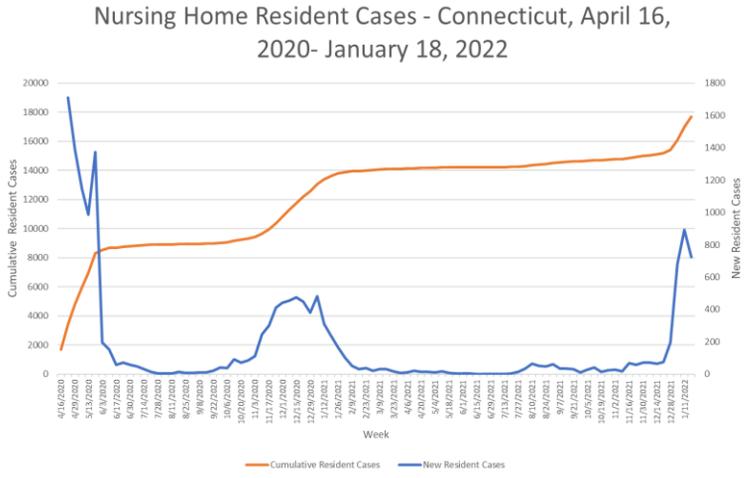


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## Nursing Home Resident Incidence, statewide

April 16, 2020 – January 18, 2022

**Resident Census: 18,111**



| Date Reported | New Resident Cases (diagnosed that week) |
|---------------|--|
| 19-Oct        | 15                                       |
| 26-Oct        | 24                                       |
| 2-Nov         | 29                                       |
| 9-Nov         | 18                                       |
| 16-Nov        | 70                                       |
| 23-Nov        | 58                                       |
| 30-Nov        | 71                                       |
| 7-Dec         | 73                                       |
| 14-Dec        | 66                                       |
| 21-Dec        | 84                                       |
| 28-Dec        | 197                                      |
| 4-Jan         | 679                                      |
| 11-Jan        | 892                                      |
| 11-Jan        | 724                                      |

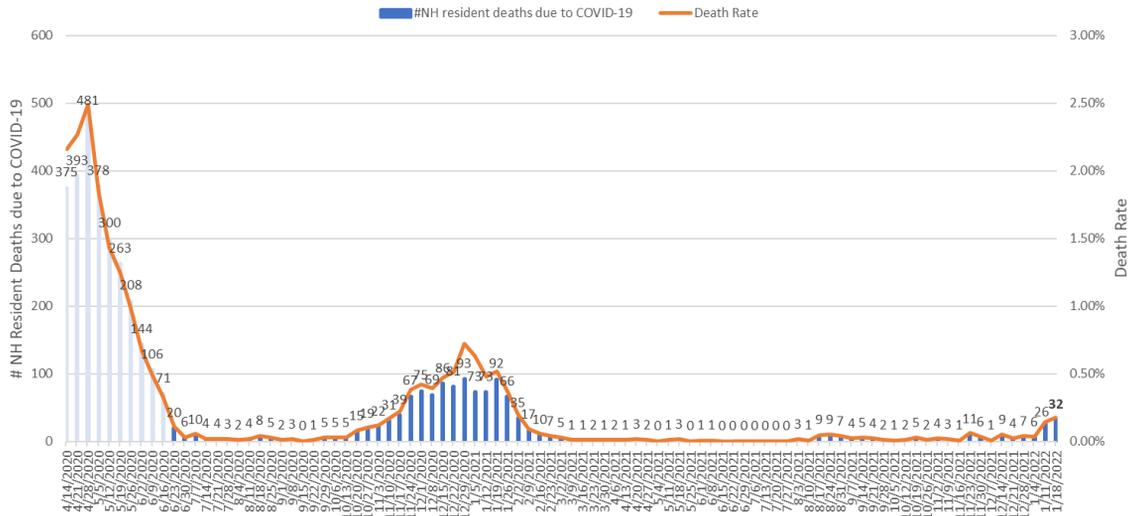
  

| Facility Metrics             | #Nursing Homes |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| New res. cases, last 2 weeks | 158 (-8)       |
| No new res. cases, >2 weeks  | 47             |

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## Nursing Home Resident Deaths Associated to COVID-19

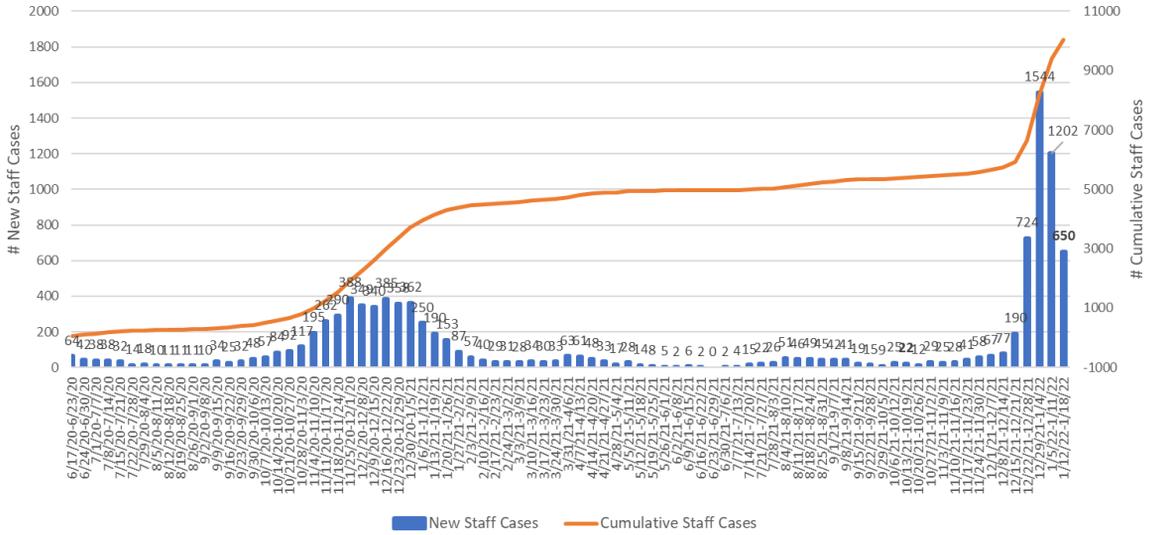
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Note: Light blue= OCME lab-confirmed and suspected deaths due to COVID-19, Darker blue= NHSN data

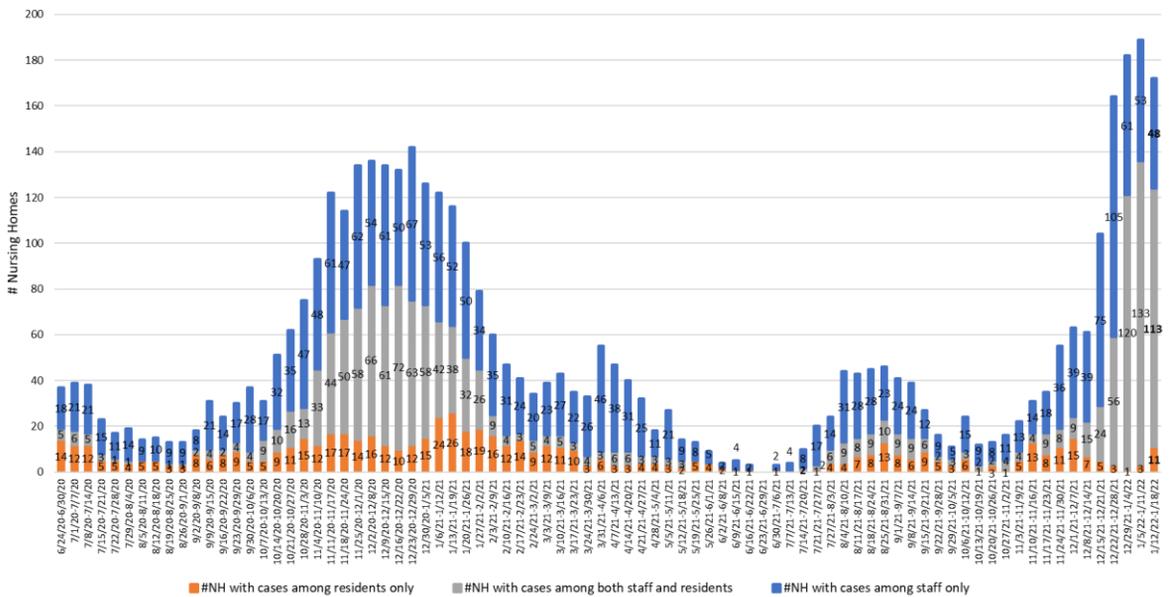
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### Staff Cases in Connecticut Nursing Homes June 17, 2020– January 18, 2022

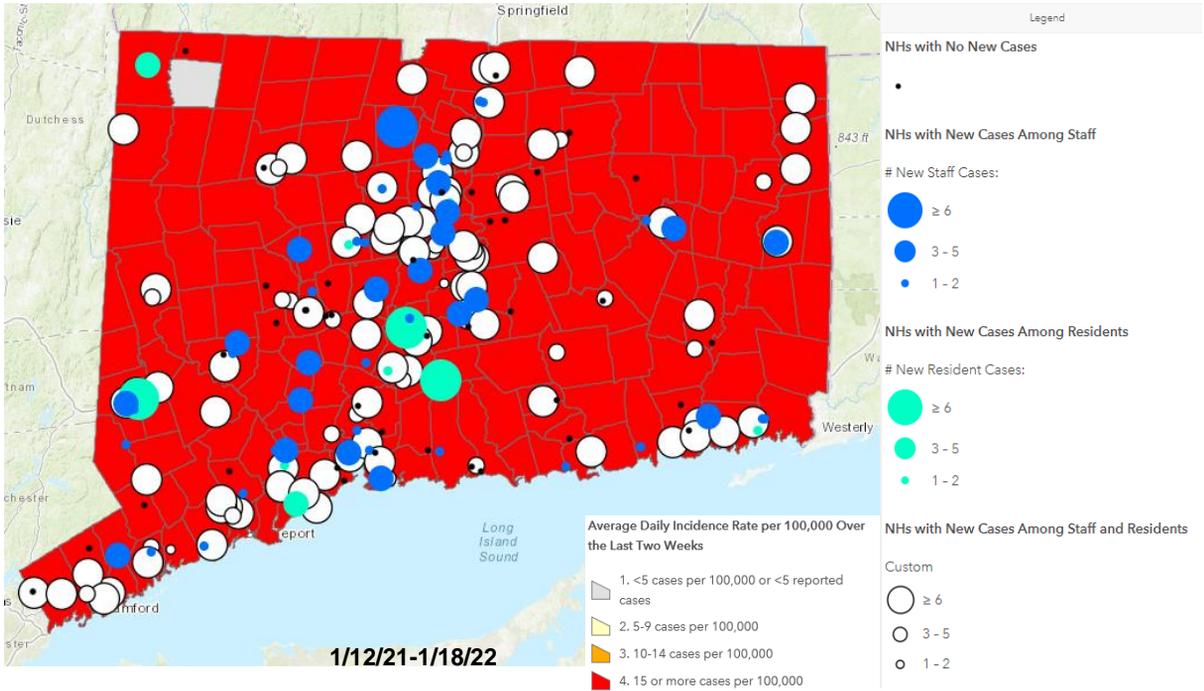


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### Nursing Homes with Positive Staff or Residents June 17, 2020-January 18, 2021



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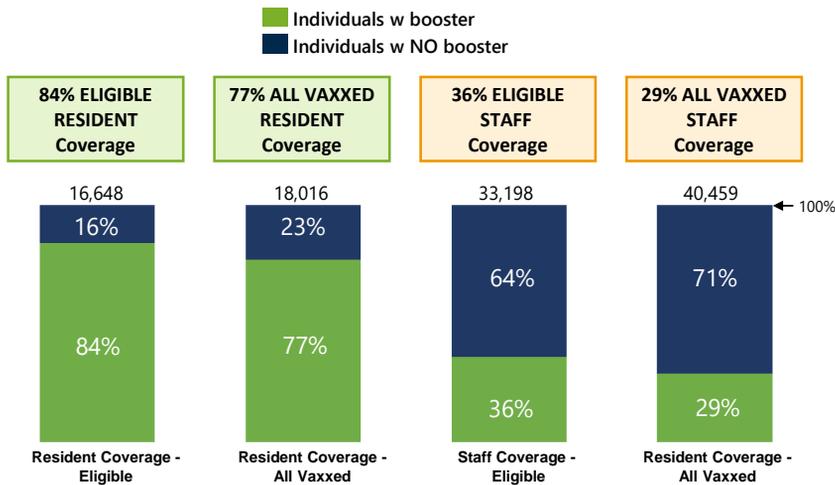


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## Nursing Home Booster Coverage

Reported via NHSN | As of January 16, 2022

### Overall Resident and Staff Booster Coverage



**Median Home Resident Coverage**

For homes that have >0% coverage:

- Median **ELIGIBLE** resident coverage: 89%
- Median **ALL VAXXED** resident coverage: 82%

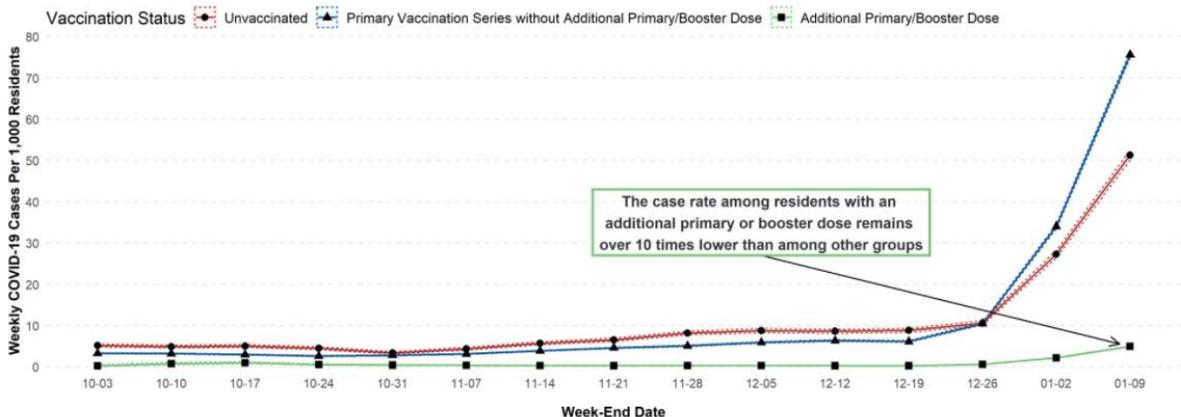
**Median Home Staff Coverage**

For homes that have >0% coverage:

- Median **ELIGIBLE** staff coverage: 38%
- Median **ALL VAXXED** staff coverage: 31%

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### Unadjusted COVID-19 Cases Per 1,000 Nursing Home Residents, by COVID-19 Vaccination Status (Including Additional Primary and Booster Doses) and Week, United States



Data source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Healthcare Safety Network  
For more information: <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/weekly-covid-vac/index.html>  
Note: Data reported in the most recent week may still be accruing.

Data as of 01/17/2022 05:30 AM

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## EO 14B – Vaccine Booster Mandate for LTC

- Signed on January 6, 2022
- Revises EO 13F by requiring fully vaccinated “covered LTC workers” to receive booster doses by February 11, 2022
- DPH is revising the EO 13F Implementation Guidance to reflect the booster requirement - guidance released on Friday, January 21, 2022
  - \* Largely the same guidance
  - \* You are not be required to have existing covered LTC workers resubmit medical or spiritual/religious exemptions
  - \* Compliance reporting due to DPH by Monday, February 14, 2022, through the FLIS portal; working on the portal, won’t be available until after February 1<sup>st</sup>
  - \* All facilities are required to report
  - \* Additional instructions regarding “combination reporting”
  - \* Additional and revised FAQs to address boosters, combination reporting, mix and match vaccine, forms, etc.

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## Visitation – Vaccine and Testing

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- Governor signed Executive Order 14F on January 19, 2022, to help make nursing home visitation safer during the omicron surge
- Under the EO, all nursing homes shall require visitors or essential support persons (as defined in Public Act 21-71) prior to visiting a nursing home resident to either:
  - ❑ provide proof that they are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and, if eligible under FDA or CDC guidance, have received a COVID-19 vaccine booster; or
  - ❑ provide paper or electronic proof of a negative COVID-19 test result from either:
    - a rapid antigen test completed within the previous forty-eight (48) hours; or
    - a polymerase chain reaction (PCR) test completed within the previous seventy-two (72) hours; or
  - ❑ take a rapid antigen test at the nursing home in a form and manner as directed by the Department of Public Health.

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## Visitation – Vaccine and Testing

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- Under the EO, nursing homes shall deny entrance to any visitor or essential support person who tests positive for COVID-19 OR any visitor or essential support person who refuses to take a rapid antigen test provided by the nursing home
- A nursing home shall NOT deny entrance to any visitor or essential support person who is willing to take a rapid antigen test but is unable to because the nursing home is not able to provide a rapid antigen test
- The EO is intended to be consistent with CMS visitation requirements.
- The EO became effective on Saturday, January 22, 2022

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**To support the requirements of the EO, DPH began distributing self-tests to all nursing homes on Friday, January 21, 2022**

- 50,000 tests (25,000 kits)
- Allocation is proportional based on census
- PPE also available (masks, N95s, gowns)
- Facility pick up

**Second delivery planned for February 4, 2022. Same number and model as the first release. More information to come.**

**After second delivery, orders on portal while supplies last.**