

Governor Phil Murphy

Press Pool Coverage: Governor Murphy, Department of Health Commissioner Judy Persichilli, NJ TRANSIT President and CEO Kevin Corbett, and State and Local Officials Visit NJ TRANSIT COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

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MAPLEWOOD - Gov. Phil Murphy toured one of NJ Transit's two COVID-19 vaccination sites where transit workers began getting vaccinated this week after becoming eligible Monday.

Murphy was joined Friday by state Department of Health Commissioner Judith Persichilli, NJ Transit President and CEO Kevin Corbett and the agency's Chief Safety Officer Brian Lapp.

Bus operators, train conductors and others in the agency's 12,000-person workforce can now set up appointments through NJ Transit's online booking system to get vaccinated at the agency's Maplewood and Camden sites.

Murphy greeted Sherry John, an assistant train conductor, as she sat down for her shot.

"How did it feel?" Murphy asked.

"I didn't feel anything," John responded.

NJ Transit, which became a DOH-approved vaccine distributor earlier this year, received 500 doses of the Modern shot this week and all appointments are booked.

"This is impressive, they've done a really good job," Murphy said. "We want to see more supplies, more locations and more hours."

Corbett said agency employees are thankful for the governor's commitment to vaccinate transit workers.

"For the frontline employees who have been out there all year, taking risks for themselves, we've lost 21 employees, so it means a lot to them and a lot to me," Corbett said.

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