



**NJ Health**  
New Jersey Department of Health

# NEW JERSEY: DOWNLOAD COVID ALERT NJ

# ADD YOUR PHONE TO THE COVID FIGHT

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COVID Alert NJ is New Jersey's **free and secure mobile app that anonymously alerts users if they have been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19.** The app also provides users with up-to-date information on New Jersey reopening news, key COVID-19 metrics, and a user-friendly symptom tracking tool.

Everyone with an Android (version 6 or above) or Apple (iOS version 13.5 or above) phone is encouraged to use COVID Alert NJ. The app's **effectiveness** depends on public collective participation: the more people use it, the more effective it will be.

COVID Alert NJ will notify you if you're likely to have been exposed to another app user who tested positive for COVID-19 and verified their result on their app. Knowing your exposure status and following public health guidelines such as self-quarantining and seeking timely medical attention allows you to **protect your family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues.** COVID Alert NJ helps New Jerseyans stop the **spread of COVID-19.**

- 1) **Download** COVID Alert NJ on the App Store or Google Play Store. Opt-in to receive "**Exposure Notifications**"
- 2) As you go about your day, the app will use Bluetooth to sense any "**close contacts**"—other app users who are within 6 feet of you for more than 10 minutes
- 3) When your app senses a close contact, your phone will **exchange a secure random code** with the close contact's phone. It's important to note that your location and name are never disclosed
- 4) If you **test positive for COVID-19**, a public health representative will call you and ask if you're willing to **anonymously notify your "close contacts"** by uploading your app's close contact codes
- 5) Each day, the app will compare your list of close contact codes to the list of codes associated with positive COVID-19 app users. **If there's a match you will get an Exposure Alert**, along with appropriate next steps

**Absolutely.** COVID Alert NJ **does not turn on, use or collect any GPS location data.** Alerts do not share the identities of other users with one another, the New Jersey Department of Health, or any other entity. COVID Alert NJ uses Bluetooth proximity technology, and will never record any identifying data or track your location. **All users will remain anonymous.**

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