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Kinney Drugs Opens COVID-19 Vaccination Appointments for Ages 3-4*

Gouverneur, NY – Kinney Drugs, a 100% employee-owned leading pharmacy chain in New York and Vermont, has opened COVID-19 vaccination appointments for ages three and four* per CDC recommendations in the select Kinney pharmacies listed below:

Store #	Street Address	City, State, Zip
63	187 State Street	Auburn, NY 13021
37	7998 Route 31	Bridgeport, NY 13030
86	155 South Main Street	Cambridge, VT 05444
84	12 Franklin Avenue	Clinton, NY 13323
7	3666 NYS Route 281	Cortland, NY 13045
76	7550 Court Street	Elizabethtown, NY 12932
1	17 Clinton Street	Gouverneur, NY 13642
68	103 Utica Street	Hamilton, NY 13346
27	40 First Street	Illion, NY 13357
95	1954 Saranac Avenue	Lake Placid, NY 12946
51	7608 Oswego Road	Liverpool, NY 13090
66	20 Forgham Street	Lyons, NY 14489
58	55 Shattuck Hill Road	Newport, VT 05855
59	112 New York Road	Plattsburgh, NY 12901
87	406 Butternut Street	Syracuse, NY 13208
54	4202 West Genesee Street	Syracuse, NY 13219
39	94 Demars Boulevard	Tupper Lake, NY 12986
15	1304 Washington Street	Watertown, NY 13601

Kinney pharmacists know that in general, children tend to need more care when receiving shots than adults do. It can be a bit scary for them. Kinney's goal is to make pediatric vaccination appointments as easy and pleasant as possible for both children and their parents and caregivers by offering:

- Ⓚ **Family appointments:** Parents can schedule a single appointment for two children at once.
- Ⓚ **Dedicated, longer appointment times** to ensure that children have time to adjust and feel more comfortable.
- Ⓚ **Free, optional "Buzzy the Vaccine Bee" experience** – Buzzy is a bee-shaped device that applies vibration and cold to numb the area and **helps take the sting out of the shot.**
- Ⓚ **Distraction activities** and a **small post-shot treat.**

And as always, patient safety is most important. Kinney pharmacists employ a system of specialized checks and balances to ensure that patients receive the right vaccine at the right time. Appointments are now open but are limited as vaccines are in high demand.

To schedule a COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment for ages 3-4 in New York:
<https://kinneydrugs.as.me/schedule.php?appointmentType=34535113>

To schedule a COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment for ages 3-4 in Vermont:
<https://kinneydrugs.as.me/schedule.php?appointmentType=34535730>

"As a pharmacist and President of Kinney Drugs, I am glad that we are able to vaccinate our pediatric population," said John Marraffa, R.Ph., President of Kinney Drugs. "Our Kinney pharmacists are committed and determined to help our communities end this pandemic and I am confident that our teams will create a positive experience for children and their parents or caregivers."

*Pharmacies are only authorized to vaccinate children ages three years and older for COVID-19 under the *Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness Act (PREP Act)*.

About Kinney Drugs: Founded in Gouverneur, NY in 1903, today the independent, employee-owned company operates 96 stores in New York and Vermont. Kinney Drugs is part of the KPH Healthcare Services family of companies, a national provider of pharmaceutical and healthcare services with complementary businesses in both the retail and commercial segments of the industry. KPH is comprised of eight divisions: (1) Kinney Drugs, a chain of full-service drug stores located throughout New York and Vermont; (2) Health Direct Institutional Pharmacy Services, which serves long-term care and alternative care needs; (3) ProAct, Inc., a pharmacy benefit management company with sales offices throughout the country and a mail-order pharmacy; (4) Noble Health Services, a specialty pharmacy that dispenses medications used to treat complex and chronic diseases; (5) Kinnect™, an on-site clinical care pharmacy; (6) Aristacare, an infusion therapy pharmacy; (7) HomeLife specialized nursing support for in-home infusion services; and (8) Kinney Homecare, a durable medical equipment company. KPH Healthcare Services is an employee-owned company with approximately 4,450 employees that provides the highest quality pharmacy and healthcare services. Every aspect of KPH's business is guided by the values of excellence, moral responsibility, and community spirit. Learn more at www.kinneydrugs.com.

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