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### COVID-19 Vaccine Information January 2021

Dear Plan Participant:

As COVID-19 vaccines become more widely distributed, the Fund would like to share some vaccination details. Please remember these COVID-19 vaccines will be covered by the Plan at 100% without any out-of-pocket costs. We urge all eligible participants to get vaccinated for COVID-19. However, if you are ill, have a compromised immune system, allergies, or are anaphylactic, consult your treating physician(s) for advice on receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/underlying-conditions.html>.

Be sure to check these sources provided, to make sure you fit the requirements for testing and that you bring all required documents. We have provided details for Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin. If you reside in another state, please visit your state's Department of Public Health website, or call its 1-800 COVID-19 hotline number. Each State may vary in detail, as to who is currently eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine. These vaccines are currently being administered by appointment only.

The State of Illinois began COVID-19 vaccinations with Phase 1A Illinois residents. This includes Frontline Healthcare Workers and Long-Term Care Residents and Staff. Next, the State of Illinois recently expanded vaccinations for residents eligible under Phase 1B by opening several COVID-19 National Guard-led sites, sites at Jewel Osco and Walgreens, with CVS expected to soon follow. Please see the Restore Illinois flyer which includes a list of Phase 1B Illinois eligible residents, including Frontline Essential Workers. **Currently, the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) does not classify Construction Workers as part of Phase 1B Essential Workers. Construction Workers will be included in Phase 1C COVID-19 vaccinations. Phase 1C has not yet been initiated by the State of Illinois.**

Follow the links for more information or call the Illinois Department of Public Health COVID-19 vaccination hotline at **1-800-889-3931**.

- To make an appointment through a state-run vaccination site, click <https://covidvaccination.dph.illinois.gov>. For a statewide vaccination locations map or to find a site near you, click <https://coronavirus.illinois.gov/s/vaccination-location>. *Note: those who schedule an appointment through these sites will need:*

- You may be required to provide proof of employment as health care personnel using an employee ID, a recent letter from your employer, or a recent pay stub. If you are not eligible in this phase, your vaccination appointment will be rejected.
- For more information on how those eligible in Phase 1b can get an appointment through Walgreens select <https://www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19>. Download, print, and complete the vaccination confirmation form at [www.walgreens.com/images/adaptive/findcare/covid19/FY20 Community VAR OffSite EN G With INS.pdf](http://www.walgreens.com/images/adaptive/findcare/covid19/FY20%20Community%20VAR%20OffSite%20ENG%20With%20INS.pdf) . If you do not bring the completed form, you will need to complete it at the pharmacy before your vaccination.
- For more information on how those eligible in Phase 1b can get an appointment through Jewel-Osco click [www.mhealthappointments.com/covidappt](http://www.mhealthappointments.com/covidappt).
- Walmart confirmed that the retailer will start providing inoculations in the city of Chicago as well as in Indiana along with six other states. For more information on their vaccine rollout click <https://www.walmart.com/cp/1228302>.
- By February 1, additional pharmacies, including Hy-Vee, Mariano's, and Kroger, will also begin vaccinations.

At this time, these sites will be available by appointment. Only as the federal supply of vaccines increases and Illinois receives more vaccines, the state will launch walk-in locations and expand sites to additional providers such as doctors' offices and urgent care clinics.

According to the state's website, additional vaccination sites are set to open across the state, including hundreds of additional pharmacy providers coming online through a partnership with the IDPH. "As the state moves forward with its plan and continues to build out capacity, smaller independent pharmacies, urgent care clinics, doctors' offices, and workplaces will all be coming online to serve as vaccination sites." The Illinois National Guard is deploying teams to sites in Cook County as well as sites in St. Clair County, before additional deployments statewide. Additional teams from the Illinois National Guard will also deploy to regions across the state to stand up new sites and build out additional capacity at existing sites.

For information on where to get vaccinated in each county, see below:

**Cook County:** Visit the website for residents to receive information and make appointments as they become available. Go to <https://vaccine.cookcountyil.gov> for more information, additionally, a call center has also gone live at (833) 308-1988.

**DeKalb County:** Call 815-758-6673 or for the latest information and updates, go to <https://health.dekalbcounty.org/about/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccination/>.

**DuPage County:** For the latest information and updates visit <https://www.dupagehealth.org//> or call 630-682-7400. To sign up for alerts on when you can get an appointment please visit the site at <https://dupagehealth.jotform.com/200694254415049>.

**Grundy County:** For those in Phases 1A and 1B, a survey is required to declare your interest in getting vaccinated. Go to <https://www.grundyco.org/health/covid-19-vaccine-group-1b-survey//> for the Phase 1b survey and <https://www.grundyco.org/health/covid-19-vaccine-group-1a-survey//> for the Phase 1a survey. Grundy County Health Department can be reached at (815) 941-3404 or the website at <https://www.grundyco.org/health/>.

**Kankakee County:** To register for the COVID-19 vaccine please fill out the Kankakee County Health Department survey at <https://bit.ly/3hTUFYJ>. After completing the survey, the health department will contact you when it is your turn to get vaccinated and schedule your vaccine appointment. Visit the website at <https://www.kankakeehealth.org/> or call (815) 802-9312.

**Kane County:** For the latest information and updates, go to <https://kanehealth.com> or call 630-208-3801.

**Kendall County:** For the latest information and updates, visit [www.kendallhealth.org/community-health/covid-19-vaccine](http://www.kendallhealth.org/community-health/covid-19-vaccine), or call 630-553-9100.

**Lake County:** Lake County requires residents to register and health officials will notify you when it is time to make your appointment for a COVID-19 vaccine. You will only receive an email to schedule when you are eligible, and the Health Department has vaccine and appointments available to you. For more information go to [www.lakecountyil.gov/4521/COVID-19-Vaccine#allvax](http://www.lakecountyil.gov/4521/COVID-19-Vaccine#allvax), or call 847-377-8000.

**LaSalle County:** Only individuals working or living in LaSalle County may receive vaccine through LaSalle County. Phase 1A can sign-up and Phase 1B *notification* sign-up is also available on the county's website at <https://lasallecounty.org/covid-vaccine-2/>, or call 815-433-3366.

**McHenry County:** Enrollment is available at [www.mchenrycountyil.gov/county-government/departments-a-i/health-department/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/vaccine](http://www.mchenrycountyil.gov/county-government/departments-a-i/health-department/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/vaccine), or call 815-334-4510.

**Will County:** Residents in this county are being asked to fill out a registration sign-up form. Once signed up, residents will be notified when they can schedule an appointment. For additional information, visit <https://willcountyhealth.org/covid-19/covid-vaccine/> or call 815-727-8480.

If you are a resident of Indiana or Wisconsin, please view a list of these states' COVID-19 vaccination information sites:

## **Indiana**

If you are a resident of Indiana, please visit the Indiana Department of Health's website for COVID-19 vaccine information and planning site at [https://www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/?fbclid=IwAR1P-XMnpH4mcMOIm\\_p09EicqUE-fei6sADtU0B2BbXZcLTU4F47jNdB650](https://www.coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine/?fbclid=IwAR1P-XMnpH4mcMOIm_p09EicqUE-fei6sADtU0B2BbXZcLTU4F47jNdB650).

To register for a COVID-19 vaccination visit this site, <https://vaccine.coronavirus.in.gov/>.

To find a vaccination site in your area please visit this link.

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/24159814f1dd4f69b6c22e7e87bca65b>.

General questions from the public or healthcare provider inquiries about COVID-19 may be directed to the state Department of Health COVID-19 Call Center at the toll-free number 877-826-0011.

## **Wisconsin**

If you are a resident of Wisconsin, please visit the Wisconsin Department of Health Services website for COVID-19 vaccine information and planning site at <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine.htm>

To enroll in the Wisconsin COVID-19 Vaccine program, follow the steps outlined on the weblink <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-program.htm#overlay-context=user>.

Wisconsin residents can dial 211 for more details or visit this link for a list of Wisconsin County Public Health locations and contact numbers, <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/lh-depts/contacts/local-health-department-listing.pdf>

Be sure to check these resources frequently as details can change depending on vaccine availability and other factors. We hope you and your families remain healthy and safe.

Sincerely,



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