# Vaccine Planning Work Group

In order to keep an accurate roll call, we ask that everyone joining this meeting rename themselves to include the following information:

- First Name
- Last Name
- Organization

Please type all questions into the chat box.

Presentations slides will be posted on the Maine Immunization Program website at: https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/immunization/covid-19providers/communications.shtml

We appreciate the time and effort taken by everyone joining to help the Maine CDC with COVID-19 vaccine planning.

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#### All information in this presentation is subject to change. Information shared in these slides are assumptions as of 2/24/2021.



- General Updates
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- S&H Transportation Updates
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# General Updates

Maine Doses administered 2/25/2021

- 316,671 total doses administered
- 211,451 first doses
- 105,011 final doses
- 7.81% of population that have received their final doses

Maine's Allotment Week #12 distribution

- 16,380 doses of Pfizer
- 13,700 doses of Moderna
- TBD doses of J+J

Phase 1b Progress

- 70 yrs + 59.25% first dose
- 80 yrs + 58.87% first dose

# General Updates

- Increase supply of Moderna and Pfizer
  - Federal Allocation
    - Retail Pharmacy Program
    - FQHC's
    - IHS Locations
    - Department of Defense
  - State Allocations

Soft launch of the Vaccine Allocation Request Tool

- Working through the bugs
- · Updated questions for clarity

#### Janssen

Highlights

- Does not contain preservatives nor require reconstitution.
- Single-dose administration regimen.
- Packaging: 5 dose vials, 10 vials per box (quantity 50) 2 boxes/100 doses.
- Order in 100 dose increments.
- Age indication for adults  $\geq 18$  years of age.
- Can be stored for at least 3 months at normal refrigerator temperatures of 2° C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F).
- Shipped from McKesson.
- Do not return shipping container.

#### Janssen

#### What Clinicians Need to Know About Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine

This COCA Call will give clinicians an overview of the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine. Clinicians will learn about vaccine characteristics and administration, vaccinating specia populations, and contraindications. They will also get answers to a number of clinical questions CDC has received about this new vaccine.

**Date:** Tuesday, March 2, 2021 **Time:** 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM ET

https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1603748312?pwd=anlmUURkSEtmdzBLSmNOV0pJSzZUQT09

**Passcode:** 893944

#### NEW – Moderna Transportation Guidance

Moderna COVID-19 vaccine: Once thawed, Moderna vaccine has specific beyond-use dates/times (BUD) for refrigerated storage and transport at 2C-8C (36F-46F)

- Routine storage in CDC approved refrigeration unit 30 days
- Transportation units (cool cubes/pack-outs/coolers) 12 hours
  - Cumulative (e.g., transporting 2 hours each day for 5 days)
  - Time starts as soon as vaccine is removed from CDC approved storage unit and ends when returned to a CDC approved storage unit
- CDC strongly recommends that total time for transport/clinic should be a maximum of 8 hours (2hrs driving time + 6hrs of clinic time)
- Partially used vials can be transferred for clinic purposes, but NEVER transferred from one provider to another or across state lines.

https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/moderna/index.html https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/toolkit/index.html

#### NEW Pfizer – Transportation Guidance

Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine: Once thawed, Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine has a 120 hour (5 day) beyond-use date (BUD) for both refrigerated storage and transport at 2C-8C (36F-46F)

- Only FULL trays of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine can be transported in ultra-cold temperatures partial trays begin the 120 hour BUD
- CDC strongly recommends that total time for transport/clinic should be a maximum of 8 hours (2hrs driving time + 6hrs of clinic time)
- Partially used vials can be transferred for clinic purposes, but NEVER transferred from one provider to another or across state lines.

#### Moderna Transport Guidance Webinar - ZOOM Time: 2-26-2021 1:30pm-2:00pm

- Meeting ID: 982 6921 1412
- Passcode: A621RN

#### **Transporting COVID-19 Vaccine**

CDC does not recommend routine transport of vaccines. Ideally, vaccines should be delivered directly to the facility where they will be used.

- Appropriate equipment to store the vaccine and monitor temperatures:
  - Portable freezer, refrigerator, or container qualified to maintain the proper temperatures.
  - Digital data logger (DDL) to monitor temperatures with a buffered probe (external display preferred).
- If vaccines must be transported, follow storage and handling best practices to ensure the cold chain is maintained.
- Written policies and procedures.
- Well-trained staff.

# **Training and Education**



https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/training.html#recent-hcp

A variety of healthcare professionals and personnel will be needed to implement COVID-19 vaccination efforts. These include:

- Experienced vaccinators
- Vaccinators who have not administered vaccines in the past 12 months or longer
- Medical support staff (not licensed to administer vaccines but can assist with vaccine preparation and cold chain management)
- Administrative support staff (can assist with cold chain management, data reporting, and distribution of required materials to vaccine recipients)

Training is important not only for those who will prepare and administer vaccine, but also for those responsible for other critical, mandatory functions, including protecting the vaccine cold chain, inputting required data, and ensuring vaccine recipients receive documentation of vaccination.

#### Training Required by Professional Qualification

Find the training and core competencies you will need by clicking on your professional qualification below:

Healthcare professionals who have administered vaccine in the last 12 months

Healthcare professionals or retired (past 5 years) physicians, nurses, or practical nurses who are licensed/previously licensed to administer COVID-19 vaccine but have not done so in the last 12 months

Vaccination support workers (not licensed to administer vaccine) qualified to prepare, store, handle, or transport vaccine

Administration support staff qualified to store, handle, or transport vaccine

Healthcare professionals who have administered vaccine in the last 12 months and Healthcare professionals or retired (past 5 years) physicians, nurses, or practical nurses who are licensed/previously licensed to administer COVID-19 vaccine but have <u>not</u> done so in the last 12 months

Core Competencies:

- Relevant information contained in the EUA Fact Sheet(s) for Healthcare Providers [∠] for the vaccine product(s) in your facility
- **Clinical considerations**
- <u>Storage and handling requirements</u>
- Preparation requirements
- <u>Administration requirements</u>
- Anaphylaxis guidance
- <u>Vaccination documentation and reporting requirements</u>
- Required and additional information for vaccine recipients

#### **Education and Training**

# Vaccination support workers (not licensed to administer vaccine) qualified to prepare, store, handle, or transport vaccine

#### **Core Competencies:**

- Relevant information contained in the <u>EUA Fact Sheet(s) for</u> <u>Healthcare Providersexternal icon</u> for the vaccine product(s) in your facility
- Preparation requirements
- <u>Storage and handling requirements</u>
- <u>Transport guidance</u>
- <u>Vaccination documentation and reporting requirements</u>
- <u>Required and additional information for vaccine recipients</u>

# **Education and Training**

# Administration support staff qualified to store, handle, or transport vaccine

#### **Core Competencies Based on Role:**

- Relevant information contained in the <u>EUA Fact Sheet(s) for</u> <u>Healthcare Providersexternal icon</u> for the vaccine product(s) in your facility
- <u>Storage and handling requirements</u>
- <u>Transport guidance</u>
- Vaccination documentation and reporting requirements
- <u>Required and additional information for vaccine recipients</u>

# Ensuring Racial/Ethnic Equity

#### Weekly updates from partners

Joy Barresi Saucier Aroostook Area Agency On Aging

#### **COVID** Vaccination Dashboard

https://www.maine.gov/covid19/vaccines/dashboard

### **Contact Information**

#### C19Vaccine.MECDC@maine.gov

For questions regarding vaccine planning for COVID-19:

- Vaccine planning logistics enrolled providers only
- Any follow-up questions to these weekly Vaccine Planning Work Group Meetings

#### C19PA.MECDC@maine.gov

To submit documents for COVID-19 vaccine enrollment:

- CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement
- Storage & handling documentation if required

# Website Information

#### ImmunizeME.org



Pediatric (0-10 years)



Pregnancy



Adolescent (11-18 years)



Vaccine Clinics



Adults (19 & Older)



For Providers



COVID-19 Providers



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