

Vaccine Planning Work Group

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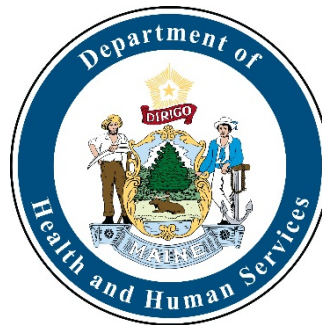
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<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/mecdc/infectious-disease/immunization/covid-19-providers/communications.shtml>

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

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Information shared in these slides is current as of
as of 6/9/2021.

Agenda

- General Updates
- Janssen Updates
- Frequently Asked Questions

General Updates

National Reflection

- 373.4 M Doses delivered
- 304.5M Doses administered and reported
 - Adolescents 12-15 year of age 4.3M doses to date
- Waste remains low (1%) after 26 weeks of distribution

General Updates

Maine Doses administered 6/9/2021

- 1,463,955 total doses administered ~
- 729,323 first doses~
- 734,632 final doses~
- 61.59% of population that have received their first doses*~
- 62.04% of population that have received their final doses*~
- 75.7% as reported on the US CDC Covid Data Tracker
 - At least 1 dose for the Population \geq 18 Years of Age
 - [CDC COVID Data Tracker](#)

~Does not include all doses administered through federal partners, *Age Eligible

Janssen Vaccine Updates

Janssen shipment pause: To further prevent waste shipments of J&J vaccine effective immediately has been paused. This is due to current J&J inventory in the field.

The Maine Immunization Program will reallocate doses from facilities that are not utilizing their inventory in efforts to accommodate vaccine requests.

Janssen Vaccine Updates

Janssen vaccine “possible shelf life extension”

Quarantine expired vaccine in the storage unit and label **do not use**.

Johnson and Johnson will be submitting their storage data to the FDA; “expired” Janssen vaccines could be used--assuming the extension request is approved.

More details to come.

Expiring Vaccines

Expiring COVID-19 Vaccine

Some lots of Pfizer, Moderna, and J&J/Janssen vaccines are set to expire.

In order to minimize the number of unused expired doses and manage expired doses correctly, we encourage providers to:

- Monitor expiration dates weekly, rotate stock as needed, and follow a “first in, first out” strategy to manage inventory.
- If nearing expiration, check posted manufacturer information for the most up to date expiration/extension information for vaccine lots.

Expiring Vaccines

Based on the latest expiration information:

- **Quarantine Janssen** expired vaccine IMMEDIATELY. Do not give staff opportunity to administer quarantined vaccine.
- Remove from the storage unit Pfizer and Moderna vaccine.
 - If expired vaccine is inadvertently is administered, it is considered a vaccine administration error and requires remediation including a VAERS report, contacting the recipient to inform them of the error, and may or may not require revaccination based on the manufacturers' guidance.
- Vaccine disposal: dispose of the vaccine vial (with any remaining vaccine) and packaging as medical waste according to your local and state regulations.

Do NOT return vaccine in the thermal shipping container.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. We have a patient who was fully vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized in the U.S. Do we need to revaccinate?

A: Not necessarily. People who completed a COVID-19 vaccination series with a vaccine that has been authorized for emergency use by the World Health Organization (WHO) do not need any additional doses with an FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine. People who completed or partially completed a COVID-19 vaccine series with a vaccine that is not authorized by either FDA or WHO may be offered an FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine series. The minimum interval between the last dose of a non-FDA authorized vaccine and an FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine is 28 days.

Current information about which COVID-19 vaccines are authorized by WHO for emergency use is available here:

www.who.int/teams/regulation-prequalification/eul/covid-19.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. We have a patient who was partially vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine not authorized for use in the U.S. What should we do?

A: People who are partially vaccinated outside the U.S. with a COVID-19 vaccine brand not authorized in the U.S. may be offered a complete FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine series. The minimum interval between the last dose of a non-FDA authorized vaccine and an FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccine is 28 days.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Can COVID-19 vaccine recipients be given other vaccines at the same visit?

A: Yes. COVID-19 vaccines and other vaccines may be administered without regard to timing.

COVID-19 vaccines were previously recommended to be administered alone, with a minimum interval of 14 days before or after administration of any other vaccines. This was out of an abundance of caution and not due to any known safety concerns or concerns about interference with effectiveness. Although data are not available for COVID-19 vaccines administered simultaneously with other vaccines, extensive experience with non-COVID-19 vaccines has demonstrated that the immune response and side effects following vaccination are generally similar when vaccines are administered simultaneously and when vaccines are administered alone.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q. I have both mRNA and Janssen vaccines available. Should I avoid offering the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine to my younger female patients?

A: All who prefer the Janssen vaccine may be offered that option, if available. It is critical that all women younger than age 50 be made aware of the rare, but increased, risk of TTS following Janssen vaccine administration, and the availability of other COVID-19 vaccines not associated with TTS. However, the ACIP has concluded that the risks of delaying full immunization while the virus that causes COVID-19 is circulating widely substantially outweigh the risk of TTS. Completing vaccination with a single dose is an advantage, and a priority, for some recipients.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: I heard the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine storage requirements changed in May 2021. Where can I get more information?

A: In May 2021, the FDA authorized storage of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine at refrigerated temperatures, between 2°C and 8°C (36°F and 46°F), for up to 1 month (31 days). Details of this change and other information is available from CDC in a printable storage and handling document: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/pfizer/downloads/storage-summary.pdf.

COVID Vaccination Dashboard

- <https://www.maine.gov/covid19/vaccines/dashboard>

Website Information

[ImmunizeME.org](https://immunizeme.org)



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