

DHD#10 VACCINATES OVER 1,700 ON MONDAY

Prioritizing Phase 1A and some 1B next week

January 12, 2021 – District Health Department #10 (DHD#10) held COVID-19 vaccine clinics in seven of our ten counties on Monday, January 11, and vaccinated a total of 1,733 individuals.

Vaccine totals by county include:

- Crawford - 235
- Manistee - 249
- Mason - 255
- Mecosta - 245
- Newaygo - 255
- Oceana - 251
- Wexford – 243

Clinics are scheduled throughout the remainder of this week for those who scheduled late last week to receive the vaccine. Because vaccine supply is still limited, clinics next week will focus on healthcare workers in Phase 1A and individuals in Phase 1B who were rescheduled this week due to lack of vaccine. We will resume scheduling seniors and first responders as soon as we receive our vaccine totals. All vaccine clinics are by appointment only and not open to any walk-ins. PLEASE DO NOT WALK INTO ANY DHD#10 OFFICE TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT. We will notify you when we resume scheduling again.

“Right now, we are at the mercy of the state for vaccine distribution and we understand the state isn’t receiving what they are requesting from the federal level, so we have to do the best with what we receive,” stated Kevin Hughes, Health Officer for District Health Department #10. “There are still many individuals in Phase 1A that have not been vaccinated yet and we must prioritize the vaccine to those individuals first.”

DHD#10 will be posting a survey link to our website for individuals in Phase 1B to complete that want to receive the vaccine in the coming weeks. This will put them on a list to be scheduled for the vaccine when it is available. We are also working diligently to address lack of access to technology and are partnering with community resources to fill the gaps and assure there is access for everyone.

The state recently updated Phase 1B to include:

- Age 65 and up
- Front Line First Responders including:
 - Fire
 - Police (state and local)
 - Corrections and County Jail Workers
 - Childcare



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COUNTIES SERVED:

Crawford
Kalkaska
Lake
Manistee
Mason
Mecosta
Missaukee
Newaygo
Oceana
Wexford



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- Pre-K through 12 teachers and those staff in schools who have direct contact with children
- Adult and child protective services
- Homeless shelter staff

Not only are there thousands of people waiting to receive their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, but now there are many who are ready to receive their second dose. Due to the time-sensitive nature of receiving the first and second dose, DHD#10 is beginning to also schedule second doses and assures individuals who received the first dose that their second dose will be set aside for them.

DHD#10 continues to ask for patience during this period of uncertainty and we ask that individuals please refrain from calling the health department to ask about scheduling the vaccine. We will continue to keep our communities updated via press release, social media, our website at www.dhd10.org/covid-19-vaccine, and our Public Health Alert. If you have not subscribed to our Public Health Alert, please do so at www.dhd10.org/subscribe. We ask for your patience as we continue to plan and prepare for additional COVID-19 vaccination clinics.

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