

## Johnson County Emergency Operations Center Johnson County Public Health Press Release 2/1/2021

## **COVID-19 Vaccinations Progressing**

Johnson County Public Health has received confirmation of receiving at least 700 doses of Moderna vaccine through the month of February. These doses will still be coming 100-200 doses per week. JCPH is excited to announce that the local pharmacies are partnering to assist with getting vaccinations to our residents! Both the Prescription Shop and Corner Stone Pharmacy! Please check with the pharmacies directly to schedule an appointment, if you are over 70 years old.

On Monday, February 1, 2021, a Code Red message was sent to alert residents of more vaccine appointment availability. If you received this call, and already have an appointment scheduled, your appointment is secure. This was a call for additional first doses, not related to any second dose appointments, or already scheduled first doses.

Johnson County is still in Phase 1B, subgroup #3. This includes those populations in 1A that still may need vaccinated, as well as those over 70 years of age. The next subgroup will be those residents ages 65-69, along with parallel groups of other Healthcare Providers, Teachers, and Child Care workers.

Going live today, will be a pre-registration form, created and maintained by the Wyoming Department of Health, for those 65 and older, wanting to be placed on a list. <a href="https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/immunization/wyoming-covid-19-vaccine-information/county-covid-19-vaccine-information/">https://health.wyo.gov/publichealth/immunization/wyoming-covid-19-vaccine-information/</a>. Johnson County will continue to vaccinate those 70 years and older.

There has been 727 first dose's administered in Johnson County. This includes those administered at Johnson County Public Health and Johnson County

Healthcare Center. There have been no severe reactions in Johnson County and reports of side effects have been general malaise, fever, and arm soreness.

## **Vaccine Reminders:**

- Side effects are expected after the Moderna vaccination. This is your body's way of building immunity to COVID-19.
- Please bring your insurance card and ID to your appointment. There is NO CHARGE for the vaccination to you, but the provider may bill insurance for the administration fee of the vaccine.
- Those vaccinated still need to wear a face covering, social distance, and practice good hand hygiene.
- Don't forget to show up at your scheduled appointment for your second dose. We are requesting you receive your second dose from the same provider who gave your first vaccination, **to ensure the second dose is available**. The second dose is important to acquire the 94% effective rate.

## Is the COVID-19 Vaccine Safe?

We understand there is a lot of information about the vaccine efficacy. Johnson County Public Health encourages residents to research about the vaccine, and look to credible sources for that information.

American Academy of Family Physicians COVID-19 FAQ
Understanding and Explaining mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines
Benefits of Getting a COVID-19 Vaccine

For the most up to date numbers of positive COVID-19 cases, please visit health.wyo.gov and click on COVID-19.

For the most current information, please visit <a href="www.johnsoncountywyoming.org/covid-19">www.johnsoncountywyoming.org/covid-19</a>. COVID-19 response email for Johnson County: <a href="jcwycovid19eoc@gmail.com">jcwycovid19eoc@gmail.com</a>. For further questions, contact the Johnson County Emergency Operations Center: 307-425-6560, or Johnson County Public Health: 307-384-2564