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**Information from JCDHE regarding COVID-19 vaccinations**

*JCDHE director outlines vaccination plans for the week of May 24*

**(JOHNSON COUNTY, Kansas – May 21)** Johnson County Department of Health and Environment (JCDHE) continues to urge all who are age 12 and older to receive a vaccine during the COVID-19 vaccination clinic hours, which includes evening and weekend availability. Walk-in hours are also available. More details on clinic hours are listed below.

This week, JCDHE reports that 50.1% of eligible persons in Johnson County are at least partially vaccinated. Current JCDHE vaccination efforts are shown on the [COVID-19 dashboard](#).

To request onsite vaccinations for a business, organization or event, a Community Vaccination Event Request form <https://www.jocogov.org/community-covid-19-vaccination-event-request> can be completed and submitted.

“There are many appointments and opportunities to walk in and receive a vaccination” said Dr. Sanmi Areola, JCDHE director. “Please come and take advantage of the quick and easy process of getting your shot.”

The following is Johnson County’s vaccination plan for the **week of May 24**. This is in accordance with the [Kansas Department of Health and Environment Vaccination Plan](#).

- **Eligible persons (age 12 and older)** – JCDHE will provide first doses for those eligible at the Lenexa vaccination site. Appointments at the Lenexa clinic will be 9 a.m.–3 p.m., Tuesday and Wednesday (May 25 and 26) and 3 –7 p.m., Thursday (May 27). Walk-in hours are available Tuesday and Wednesday (May 25 and 26) from 9 a.m.–2:30 p.m., and Thursday (May 20) from 3–6:30 p.m.
  - **There is no Saturday vaccination clinic on May 29, due to the Memorial Day holiday.**

- Children age 15 and younger receiving a COVID-19 vaccination must be accompanied by an adult. A parent/guardian is preferable; however, the parent/guardian may designate a non-parent adult to be present at the time of vaccination if the parent/guardian is unavailable. A signed parental consent form is required.
- **Johnson County hospital systems** – AdventHealth, Menorah, Overland Park Regional, Olathe Health, KU-Med and St. Luke’s Hospital are offering vaccinations. Links to their websites [are available](#).
- **Federal Pharmacy Retail Program** – <https://vaccinefinder.org> for additional information.

JCDHE is taking the following actions to ensure vaccination equity:

- **Those with transportation needs:** JCDHE will continue to offer transportation to a vaccine clinic for those needing it. This service can be requested by calling 913-715-2819.
- **Homebound population:** JCDHE’s Outreach Nurses offer this service. It can be requested by calling 913-715-2819.
- **Vaccinations in community settings:** These events are being scheduled, additional details will follow. JCDHE is working with community partners to offer these vaccinations.

JCDHE is automatically scheduling Pfizer second-dose appointments three weeks after the first vaccine and four weeks after the Moderna vaccine for the same day and time. More information is available on [our second dose webpage](#).

We will keep the public updated on next week’s plans and the status of our dose allotment at [jocogov.org/covid-19-vaccine](http://jocogov.org/covid-19-vaccine).

Those with questions about vaccinations can contact [jcdhe@jocogov.org](mailto:jcdhe@jocogov.org) or by phone at 913-715-2819.

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