Broward JIC Snapshot #15: Updates of Expanded Vaccine Eligibility

KEY TAKEAWAYS
As a follow-up to Wednesday’s Snapshot #14 and as provided for in Governor Ron DeSantis’ Executive Order Number 21-47:

- Vaccinations for sworn law enforcement and firefighters age 50+ (by appointment only) began on Wednesday, March 3. Florida Department of Health in Broward (DOH-Broward) is working with Broward Sheriff’s Office and municipal law enforcement and fire agencies to schedule appointments at a dedicated vaccination site. Please do not self-dispatch to vaccination sites without an appointment.

- Vaccinations for K-12 school personnel age 50+ in Broward, begins Tuesday, March 9, also by appointment only. DOH-Broward has been working with School District Superintendent Robert Runcie to schedule appointments for eligible personnel, also at a dedicated site.

- DOH-Broward is in the process of reaching out to charter schools and private schools for vaccination scheduling.

- Florida Department of Health has released the "COVID-19 Determination of Extreme Vulnerability" form that physicians are required to complete to provide patients with verification that they are "extremely vulnerable to COVID-19" and are therefore eligible to receive vaccine. Individuals deemed extremely vulnerable by a physician can be vaccinated by a physician, advance practice registered nurses (APRN) or pharmacist. Residents interested in receiving the vaccine through this venue should contact their physician.

HOW TO GET VACCINATED

There are several for eligible residents to register for a vaccine.

- Florida Department of Health – Register online at myvaccine.fl.gov or call 866-201-6313 (TTY 833-476-1526). Eligible individuals will be contacted when an appointment is available for them.

- Schedule through a participating hospital – supplies of vaccine are limited.

To check availability and schedule an appointment with local pharmacies and retail stores, please visit:

- Walmart and Sam’s Club - Walmart.com/COVIDvaccine OR samsclub.com/covid. Read more...

- Publix registration: Publix.com/covid-vaccine/Florida

- CVS registration: Cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For DOH-Broward, visit FloridaHealth.gov; call 866-779-6121 or eMail COVID-19@flhealth.gov

For Broward County, visit Broward.org/Coronavirus; or call COVID-19 Hotline at 954-357-9500

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