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CCHA COVID-19 Alert

COVID-19 Vaccine - Provider Resources

See below for resources to help your practice and patients stay informed on COVID-19 vaccines. CCHA is here to help you! Please reach out to us with questions.

Resources

Colorado has a great resource page where you can find information about the vaccine, including a phased rollout plan and safety information: covid19.colorado.gov/vaccine.

Receiving the Vaccine

If you are affiliated with a hospital system or other group that received the first rounds of vaccines, your practice should be part of their vaccination plan. If you are an independent practice, you will work with your local county health department to receive the vaccine during the first phases. We reached out to all county health departments to advocate on your behalf and gather information on how you can receive the vaccine. We will share more information as we receive it.

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) has a [list of sites](#) receiving the first rounds of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. They are working to stratify the Phase 1A and 1B recipients to include independent health care providers. They have also shared a [toolkit](#).

Applying to Be a Vaccine Site

CDPHE has released a COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Interest form survey. This form is intended to gather basic information from facilities who wish to participate in Colorado's COVID-19 pandemic vaccine response. Submission of this form is NOT a guarantee of receiving COVID-19 vaccine from the State of Colorado.

Please note: This is **NOT** the application to enroll and receive COVID-19 vaccine. Further action will be necessary to officially enroll as a COVID-19 vaccine provider, including completing a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement electronically. All COVID-19 vaccine providers must meet the requirements set forth in the CDC Provider Agreement. These requirements include, but are not limited, to:

- Reporting administered doses to the Colorado Immunization Information System (CIIS)

- within 24-72 hours of vaccine administration
- Complying with all CDC vaccine storage and handling requirements, including temperature monitoring of vaccine storage units
- Reporting the number of COVID-19 doses and adjuvants that were unused, spoiled, expired or wasted
- Reporting moderate and severe adverse events following vaccination to the Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS)

If providers are interested, they can follow the instructions in the [CDPHE COVID-19 Interest Survey form](#). The Colorado Immunization Branch will review all submitted forms and reach out with next steps.

CDC Clinical Communication Toolkit

The CDC has a [toolkit](#) with posters, scripts, fact sheets, social media and videos you can use to help educate your staff and equip you to talk with patients about the vaccine.

Patient Email Template

We created a [draft email](#) you can use to inform patients about the vaccine. It is a standard template that you can edit to meet your needs.

Resource Quick Links for More Information

[Colorado Academy of Family Physicians](#)
[CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Communication Toolkit](#)
[CDPHE Vaccine Information](#)
[CDPHE Vaccine Toolkit](#)
[Colorado Medical Society](#)

