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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Dear Connecticut COVID-19 Vaccine Providers,

This bulletin is sent to all key contacts at provider organizations administering COVID-19 vaccine. Please feel free to share it with others in your organization who may benefit from the update. Note that all of our communications are archived on our [web site](#).

This bulletin contains important information about recovering from today's winter storm

Providers should reschedule all lost appointments this week

We know that many providers have had cancellations or delays due to the inclement weather, and we have been in touch with many of you throughout the day.

We are asking all providers to work with your patients to reschedule any cancelled appointments this week. We know that this may require extended clinic hours, weekend clinics, or other exceptional measures. We are here to support your efforts if needed. If you are having any problems recovering your lost clinic hours later this week, please let us know.

ACTION REQUESTED: [Please complete this form by 10am on Tuesday, February 2 so we can ensure swift access for Connecticut residents](#)

Current Phase eligibility

All Phase 1a individuals living or working in Connecticut:

- **Healthcare Personnel:** All paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients of infectious materials
- **Long-Term Care Facility Residents: Adults** who reside in facilities that provide a range of services, including medical and personal care, to persons who are unable to live independently
- **Medical first responders:** Individuals who face risk of exposure to COVID-19 through their response to medical emergencies
- Select Phase 1b individuals living or working in Connecticut:
- **Individuals 75-years of age and older**
- **Residents and staff of select congregate settings:** Residential facilities that provide supportive or supervisory services to their residents and where social distancing is not possible due to shared bedrooms, shared kitchens or shared bathrooms. These facilities are either licensed by or otherwise formally affiliated with the State of Connecticut and are administered by a private non-profit or other formal entity. In Phase 1b, congregate settings do **not** include supported apartments, foster or family settings, college dormitories, or boarding schools.

Individuals who accidentally received a first dose of vaccine but did not meet current eligibility requirements should be scheduled for a second dose once the appropriate interval has passed (21 or 28 days based on product).

Wastage Survey

We have developed a brief survey to assess how providers have implemented the [COVID-19 Wastage Policy](#). Our aim is to determine some best practices and feedback on how our providers have operationalized the existing guidance. Please follow the link below to complete this survey. We are asking all providers to do this by end of business Wednesday February 3, 2021. Please note this link will also be added to the ordering portal. You only need to complete the survey once.

[Wastage Survey](#)