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TO: Connecticut Licensed Urgent Care Facilities Partners
FROM: Deidre S. Gifford, MD, MPH
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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Vaccination of Healthcare Workers

The Connecticut Department of Public Health is closely monitoring progress toward development of a vaccine for COVID-19. We are actively engaged in planning efforts to ensure we will be ready to distribute a safe and effective vaccine as soon as the time comes.

COVID-19 vaccination will take a phased approach. In phase 1, which may begin as early as December 2020, doses will be very limited, and vaccination will be characterized by highly targeted administration to critical workforce and high-risk individuals. During phase 2, a large number of doses will become available and broad administration to the general public will be required to achieve population-level immunity.

During phase 1, the State of Connecticut is looking to strategically enroll providers to assist with vaccination of critical populations prioritized for early vaccination by the [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices](#). Urgent care facilities that would like to participate in phase 1 must agree to vaccinate those priority populations identified by the state. During phase 2, all providers in Connecticut will be eligible to enroll with the State to receive COVID-19 vaccines.

The purpose of the survey is to identify urgent care facilities that would be interested in joining the Connecticut COVID-19 Vaccine Program to administer vaccine. Once you have read this communication, please complete the survey available at the link at the bottom of page. We urge you to complete this survey now, so that you will be positioned to vaccinate when vaccine becomes available.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's [COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Agreement](#) describes the program requirements. Enrollment must be completed online, and CT DPH will prioritize and reach out to interested urgent care facilities to invite them to enroll. If you have questions, please send them to dph.immunizations@ct.gov.

Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UrgentCareCOVIDVaxSurvey>