



# Weekly COVID-19 Provider Update

Wednesday @ 9am

# Key figures – as of Monday

~70%

**Coverage among 75+**

~50%

**Coverage among 65+**

(37% among 65-74)

826k

**Total doses administered**

~547k first doses & ~279k second doses

Consistent  
administration of  
>20k doses per  
day

# Allocation

	This week	Next week	
State allocation	73,240	77,920	+6%
Pharmacy allocation	22,900	22,900	-
FQHC allocation	0	TBD	?

Modest increase in state allocation (incremental Pfizer)

Pharmacy allocation appears to be consistent ~20% of state allocation

>100,000 first doses!

# Expanded eligibility

March 1    March 8    March 15    March 22    March 29    Apr 5    Apr 12    Apr 19    Apr 26    May 3

## March 1

55-64

Educators and childcare professionals

### Approximately 600,000 people

- ~513k people in CT are between 55-64 years of age (61k have already received a first dose of COVID vaccine as part of 1a)
- There are an additional ~150,000 educators & childcare professionals under 55
- Total phase = 513k – 61k + 150k = 602,000
- At 60% uptake and 100,000 doses per week, this would be ~3-4 weeks of vaccine

## Mar 22 (tentative)

45-54

### Approximately 385,000 people

- ~477k people in CT are between 45-54 years of age (52k have already received a first dose of COVID vaccine as part of 1a and ~40k are educators)
- At 60% update and 100,000 doses per week, this would be 2-3 wks

## April 12 (tentative)

35-44

### Approximately 350,000 people

- ~425k people in CT are between 35-44 years of age (44k have already received a first dose of COVID vaccine as part of 1a and ~34k are educators)
- At 60% update and 100,000 doses per week, this would be 2-3 wks

## ~May 3 (tentative)

Everyone else

# Equity commitments (1/2)

- Our initially released data already demonstrates disparity in vaccine administration by place of residence (vulnerable populations lag general population)
- There are 20 towns in Connecticut with top tier SVI tracts – these represent ~1/3 of total Connecticut population
- We will be working on public reporting of vaccine coverage in these priority areas and invite all providers to scrutinize their own data



# Equity commitments (2/2)

## Population data for 20 SVI towns

Town	Population								
	Total	lt 15	15-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65-74	75+
Bridgeport	145,639	28,152	23,592	22,603	19,651	18,358	16,757	8,845	7,681
New Haven	130,331	24,262	25,462	24,787	16,363	14,408	11,638	8,324	5,087
Stamford	129,309	22,076	15,604	22,534	18,026	16,395	15,996	10,211	8,467
Hartford	123,088	24,151	22,703	20,108	14,948	14,470	12,840	8,464	5,404
Waterbury	108,276	22,443	15,380	16,651	12,554	14,353	12,469	7,539	6,887
Norwalk	88,599	14,787	9,984	13,065	11,929	13,207	11,963	7,868	5,796
Danbury	84,619	14,581	11,779	12,132	12,467	11,030	11,070	6,655	4,905
New Britain	72,767	14,637	11,129	12,103	8,961	7,981	8,397	5,508	4,051
Bristol	60,218	9,883	7,394	8,399	7,452	8,399	8,730	5,290	4,671
Meriden	59,676	9,681	6,672	8,687	8,015	8,209	8,668	5,596	4,148
East Hartford	50,272	8,761	7,657	6,805	7,640	6,061	6,100	3,917	3,331
Middletown	46,511	6,335	8,429	7,024	5,478	5,799	6,310	3,759	3,377
Enfield	44,143	6,504	5,524	6,650	5,589	6,192	6,438	3,609	3,637
Norwich	39,260	6,806	4,997	6,460	4,398	4,832	5,150	3,891	2,726
Groton	38,825	6,263	6,998	6,595	4,089	4,544	4,383	3,328	2,625
Torrington	34,489	5,226	3,819	4,181	4,073	4,983	5,430	3,560	3,217
New London	26,966	4,358	6,565	3,354	3,336	3,070	3,294	1,824	1,165
Windham	24,655	4,044	6,376	3,526	2,736	2,273	2,618	1,735	1,347
Ansonia	18,802	3,265	2,086	2,349	2,775	2,574	2,700	1,769	1,284
Derby	12,485	2,006	1,240	2,024	1,635	1,760	1,702	1,189	929
<b>Total for 20 towns</b>	<b>1,338,930</b>	<b>1,338,930</b>	<b>238,221</b>	<b>203,390</b>	<b>210,037</b>	<b>172,115</b>	<b>168,898</b>	<b>162,653</b>	<b>102,881</b>
<b>Total for CT population</b>	<b>3,575,074</b>	<b>603,133</b>	<b>488,846</b>	<b>441,742</b>	<b>424,739</b>	<b>508,428</b>	<b>507,133</b>	<b>336,422</b>	<b>264,631</b>
<b>Total towns as % of total population</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>31%</b>



# Janssen (J&J) Vaccine Update

# Johnson & Johnson vaccine

- EUA expected this weekend
- No firm numbers for Connecticut's allocation, but public reports suggest 20M in week 1. This implies ~20,000 for Connecticut
- Week 1 distribution will likely be to a limited set of providers – working on current scenario planning
- Awaiting guidance from ACIP regarding use of product



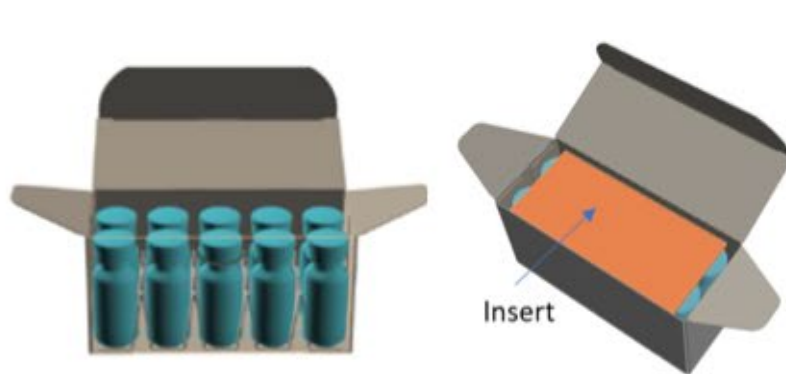
# Janssen Investigational COVID-19 Vaccine Anticipated Pandemic Supply Configuration & Storage Conditions



Primary packaging

## 2R glass vial

- No preservative and no reconstitution required
- Blue matte finish button with silver crimp combination
- High volume 5-dose vial for EUA
- 0.5 ml per dose ( $5 \times 10^{10}$  vp)



Secondary packaging

- 10 vials per carton
- 1 product insert per carton



Tertiary packaging

- 48 cartons per shipper case
- Carton material: solid bleached sulfate (SBS)

## Anticipated storage conditions (under EUA)



Long-term storage<sup>†</sup>:

**-20°C**

For 2 years

Of which

End-user storage:

**2-8°C**

Up to 3 months

After first use<sup>\*</sup>:

**2-8°C**

Up to 6 hours

<sup>†</sup>Long term storage by manufacturer or distributor ONLY – not to be refrozen by end-user

<sup>\*</sup>The vaccine can be held for a limited time within vial or syringe at either 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) or room temperature (maximally 25°C or 77°F) after the first puncturing of the vial. The vaccine should be discarded if not used within this time.

# COCA Call March 2, 2021 @ 2PM-3PM

What Clinicians Need to Know About the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine

**Overview** of the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine. Clinicians will learn about vaccine characteristics and administration, vaccinating special populations, and contraindications. They will also get answers to a number of clinical questions CDC has received about this new vaccine.

For call in information:

[https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2021/callinfo\\_030221.asp](https://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/calls/2021/callinfo_030221.asp)



# Inventory Management Training

# Vaccine Orders

- ALL providers must submit their orders every week in our COVID-19 Vaccine Ordering portal, <https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/ClinicVaccinationOrder>
- **Orders in the portal are for first doses only, do not request second dose allocation through the portal.**
- **Communications from the portal are for first doses and can be used to delineate the number of first vs. second doses received.**
- **Providers who have many doses on-hand without sufficient appointments scheduled may not receive additional first dose allocation until current inventory has been used - Please use the comment field to explain**

**Deadline to submit orders are Tuesdays at noon.  
All orders must be placed in the ordering portal.**



# Ordering Portal Changes

- Requesting total inventory for Moderna and Pfizer
- Requesting total number of doses administered.
- DO NOT include second dose requests in this portal.
- Second dose follow-up questions are voluntary, we encourage all providers having second dose issues to utilize this section.

Inventory on hand as of EOD Sunday (Feb 21)	Clinic last week ( Monday (2/15/2021) thru Sunday (2/21/2021))
<p>Pfizer Doses <input type="text"/> *</p> <p>Moderna Doses <input type="text"/> *</p>	<p>Number of doses administered last week ( Monday (2/15/2021) thru Sunday (2/21/2021))* <input type="text"/></p> <p># of first dose appointment scheduled Tuesday (3/9/2021) through Monday (3/15/2021) you do not have enough doses for * <input type="text"/></p>
<p><b>First doses requested</b></p> <p><b>Please only include first dose requests.</b> As a reminder, second doses arrive automatically ~18 / 25 days after first doses. Do not order second doses on this form!</p> <p><b>ⓘ You must order in multiples of the minimum tray size (Pfizer - 1170 doses; Moderna - 100 doses)</b></p> <p>Pfizer First Dose <input type="text"/> *</p> <p>Moderna First Dose <input type="text"/> *</p>	<p><b>Second dose follow-up</b></p> <p>You are not required to complete this section, but please provide this information if you are seeing large numbers of second dose appointments from external clinics</p> <p>For patients you have administered first doses to, how many are currently overdue for second doses? <input type="text"/></p> <p>For patients you have administered second doses to, how many have come from clinics outside of your own? <input type="text"/></p> <p>For second dose patients who received their first dose elsewhere, please add information about where these individuals received their first dose: <input type="text"/></p>

# Inventory Management

- Inventory management is a provider responsibility.
  - Carefully track your first and second dose inventory
  - Monitor open appointment slots and doses on-hand
    - Do not open more clinic slots than you have doses for based on your baseline guarantee or confirmed allocation communications
    - Balance first and second dose appointments
  - Only thaw vaccine that can be used for the clinic day
- You are only guaranteed your baseline allocation if you are using your entire allocation within 9 days of arrival

# Tracking Orders and Shipments

## Moderna

- Distributed by McKesson
- Automated emails are sent from order approvals in the portal.
  - [noreply-dphsubmissions@ct.gov](mailto:noreply-dphsubmissions@ct.gov)
- Confirmation email sent from McKesson to primary coordinator when order is received. (New)
  - [CDCNotifications@mckesson.com](mailto:CDCNotifications@mckesson.com)
- Tracking email sent from McKesson when order ships.

## Pfizer

- Shipped directly from Pfizer
- Automated emails are sent from order approvals in the portal.
  - [noreply-dphsubmissions@ct.gov](mailto:noreply-dphsubmissions@ct.gov)
- Tracking email sent from Pfizer when order ships.
  - [pfizer.logistics@controlant.com](mailto:pfizer.logistics@controlant.com)
  - [donotreply@pfizer.com](mailto:donotreply@pfizer.com)

Update your contact information in CT WiZ to receive these emails.

# First Dose Inventory

- First dose allocations are communicated by automated messages from the order portal.
- Vaccine is ordered on Thursdays for delivery Monday/Tuesday the following week
- Baseline allocation information was provided to some clinics through 3/14



# Second Dose Inventory

- **Providers do not order second doses.**
  - Second doses are ordered by DPH automatically in the appropriate week following the first dose allocation.
  - This is approximately 3 weeks for Pfizer and 4 weeks for Moderna
- Second dose orders are placed Mondays for delivery by the end of that week.
- Emails regarding second dose orders will be sent when orders are placed.

# Ordering Timeline

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Feb 21	22	23 Request 100 1 <sup>st</sup> doses of Moderna Request 1170 1 <sup>st</sup> doses of Pfizer	24	25 Order 100 1 <sup>st</sup> doses of Moderna Order 1170 1 <sup>st</sup> doses of Pfizer	26	27
28	Mar 1 Delivery of 100 1 <sup>st</sup> doses of Moderna Delivery of 1170 1 <sup>st</sup> doses of Pfizer	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 Order 1170 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Pfizer	16	17	18 Delivery of 1170 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Pfizer	19	20
21	22 Order 100 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Moderna	23	24 Delivery of 100 2 <sup>nd</sup> doses of Moderna	25	26	27

# Maintaining First and Second Dose Inventories

- Physical Separation
  - Different shelves/locations in your storage unit
- Non-Physical Separation
  - Tracking number of first and second doses received, and doses administered for each supply.
  - Separation by Clinic in VAMS
  - Separation by Inventory Location in CT WiZ

Separation of inventory ultimately depends on what works best with the clinic flow for each CoVP provider.

# Track Doses Received and Administered

- Track the number of first and second doses received using whichever system you choose (e.g., Excel).
- Decrement from the appropriate inventory based on the number of first and second doses administered.

# Separate Clinics in VAMS

DPH staff will need to create an additional clinic in VAMS

- One for first dose, one for second dose
- Inventory locations will need to be reconciled separately and transfers received will need to be put into the correct location
- This method will also allow for a clinic dedicated solely to second dose scheduling by setting it to 100% second dose for all tiers.

Add a VAMS Clinic by submitting a request form to DPH

# Separate Inventory Locations in CT WiZ

DPH staff will need to create a second inventory location in CT WiZ

- One location for first dose, one for second dose
- Inventory locations will need to be reconciled separately and transfers received will need to be put into the correct location
- This method will not work for first and second dose orders with the same lot number

Email [DPH.Immunizations@CT.gov](mailto:DPH.Immunizations@CT.gov), ATTN: CT WiZ to request an additional inventory location.



# Balance Clinic Appointments

- Do not open more first or second dose appointment slots than you have the inventory to support.
- It is the expectation of the program that all clinics schedule second doses for patients when the first dose is given.
  - Providers should reserve the same number of clinic slots for second doses as first doses administered for the appropriate week.
    - Utilize the VAMS slot reservations
    - Schedule outside of VAMS and use a third-party clinic
    - Have the front desk schedule recipients directly into a clinic

Patients should not leave the clinic site without scheduling a second dose appointment.

# Second Doses from External Clinics

Many providers are seeing second dose appointments from people who did not receive their first dose there

- Accommodate them as you are able
  - Record where people received their first dose.
- If you cannot accommodate extra second doses, please refer them to the provider who gave the original dose

**All providers are given sufficient second doses to match their first dose allocation.** You should not refer patients to other clinics, if there is an issue with your second dose inventory please reach out to the program.



# Identifying External Clinics for Second Dose

Data will need to be collected at the time of the appointment in most cases. We are looking into options for reports and more information will be provided when/if we are able.

- Look at the patient record (VAMS) when they arrive for appointment.
- Ask the patient.
- Check the vaccination card.

Keep a tally or a spreadsheet and submit with weekly order if you see a pattern or do not have the inventory to support.

# Question and Answers

To ask a question, please raise your hand using the hand icon on your screen, type your question in the chat box or if you are on the phone press \*6 to unmute yourself.

If you have additional questions after the meeting please feel free to email them to [DPH.Immunizations@ct.gov](mailto:DPH.Immunizations@ct.gov)

You can fill out a help desk ticket by visiting <https://dph-cthelpdesk.ct.gov/Ticket>