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FAYETTE COVID-19 VACCINE PLANNING TASKFORCE MOVING FORWARD

Uniontown, PA – The Fayette County COVID-19 Vaccine Planning Taskforce met again this week to discuss ongoing vaccine distribution, future plans and the importance of its highly collaborative efforts.

Undertaking an organized, comprehensive, countywide distribution plan is a monumental challenge, but one that Fayette County officials are more than prepared for. Task force membership has grown to include additional local, state and federal government officials, as well as new partner providers.

Directed by Fayette County EMA, members are working with local providers in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Pennsylvania Department of Health guidelines to organize agencies, businesses and individuals into required groups, so that vaccines may be accessible to all who wish to receive them.

As Phase 1A citizens are continually administered the vaccine, planning is under way for distribution to groups and individuals in Phase 1B.

In an effort to keep Fayette County residents informed of the latest developments, a COVID-19 Vaccine Information Line has been established, and its messaging is updated regularly. Citizens may call 724-466-4142 at any time, for the most up-to-date vaccination information.

Details about Fayette County's vaccination plan can also be obtained by emailing covidinfo@fcema.org or visiting www.PA.gov and selecting "Getting the COVID Vaccine" from the menu options.

The task force will continue to meet weekly, as plans for future phases of vaccine distribution are developed. To that end, its membership has provided the following information for citizens:

- Vaccines will eventually be available to all groups and individuals who desire to receive it. As this process will take time, the task force is asking for patience. Please understand that a comprehensive plan is in development and no one will be overlooked.
- Some vaccinations will be done in a large group or community setting; some will be done at pharmacies; and some will be done at specific locations. Please be aware that, in accordance with CDC/Pennsylvania Department of Health guidelines, all vaccinations will require an appointment.
- Please do not go to a location without an appointment, as the vaccine will not be administered.
- All further inquiries should be directed to the Fayette County EMA at covidinfo@fcema.org.

To learn more about Fayette County, visit www.FayetteCountyPA.org.

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