



## Lassen COVID-19: Incident Command

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### **SUBJECT: Lassen County Opens COVID-19 Vaccinations to Lassen County Residents 18 and Older**

The March 17, 2021, Lassen County mass COVID-19 drive-thru vaccination clinic was an incredibly successful event. Public Health will contact everyone who received a vaccine to schedule the 2nd dose prior to the second COVID-19 drive-thru vaccination clinic, which will be held on Wednesday, April 14, 2021, at Lassen Community College. This will help reduce the wait time.

A big thanks to everyone who took part in this momentous event, and to the agencies they represent. You all are examples of why Lassen County is a testament to how strong partnerships make remarkable things happen. Our community collaboration not only allowed us to pull off a successful event but was necessary to protect the citizens of Lassen.

We began vaccinating our most vulnerable populations on December 19, 2020. Since then, we have offered vaccinations to all the State defined eligible populations. Through outreach we will continue to make vaccinating our vulnerable populations a top priority. We are asking that if you or a loved one falls into a priority category ([Click here](#)), contact us and we will make vaccination arrangements.

Lassen County is now making COVID-19 vaccinations available to all Lassen County residents who are 18 years and older. We will continue to work on scheduling people who are on our waiting list but were not able to make it yesterday and will offer clinics to residents living in the outlying areas of Lassen County. To request a vaccination appointment, visit [www.Lassencares.org](http://www.Lassencares.org) and complete a vaccination appointment request or call (530) 249-8268.

We are well on our way to population immunity! Population immunity is the indirect protection from an infectious disease that happens when a population is immune either through vaccination or immunity developed through an earlier infection. We believe we can achieve this goal in Lassen County by the end of April.

Please remember that health experts are still learning about the health characteristics of COVID-19 and that vaccinations may not totally protect you from contracting or transmitting the virus; However, research shows that vaccinated individuals may have up to 95% protection or experience less severe symptoms from COVID-19 when completing the manufacturers' recommended dosage.

We ask that you continue to social distance and use face coverings when around people who are at-risk of COVID-19 or who have not been vaccinated.