

## COVID-19 Response Efforts - March 5, 2021

The State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy is committed to protecting the health and safety of Ohioans during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Board posted a document on its website that provides COVID-19 guidance and response efforts, including the issuance of waivers to assist licensees in addressing operational needs. Waivers can be found starting on page 5 of this document: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/COVID.

For more information on the state's efforts to address coronavirus, visit <a href="www.coronavirus.ohio.gov">www.coronavirus.ohio.gov</a> or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH.

## Governor DeWine Announces 15 Regional Mass Vaccination Sites to Open Across Ohio

Governor Mike DeWine announced today that 15 long-term mass vaccination clinics will open throughout Ohio to significantly expand regional access to COVID-19 vaccines.

The state-sponsored mass vaccination clinics will be located in Lima, Maumee, Dayton, Columbus, Akron, Youngstown, Cincinnati, Chillicothe, Marietta, Wilmington, and Zanesville. Four mobile mass vaccination clinics will also make rounds in the areas of northwestern and west-central Ohio (Ada), southeastern Ohio (Athens), north-central Ohio (Mansfield), and east-central Ohio (Steubenville).

The state-sponsored, regional sites will be offered in addition to the <u>eight-week mass vaccination</u> <u>clinic, which was announced earlier today,</u> to open March 17 at Cleveland State University's Wolstein Center.

The regional mass vaccination clinics, which will begin opening in the coming weeks as supply becomes available, will operate until they are no longer necessary.

The regional mass vaccination sites will be locally operated with support from the Ohio Department of Health and Ohio Emergency Management Agency. Clinics will be equipped to administer between 300 and 3,000 vaccines a day depending on location, supply, and demand. Ohio's established vaccine providers can also expect to see an increase in their vaccine allotment as supply increases, and vaccine doses may also be allotted to new providers.

Any Ohioan who is eligible to receive the vaccine under the <u>Ohio Department of Health's vaccination plan</u> may be vaccinated at any of Ohio's mass vaccination clinics. Ohio will also work closely with the clinics to ensure equitable access for high-risk residents and medically underserved communities that could be disproportionately impacted by the virus.

A complete list of the selected regional mass vaccination clinic sites and associated local partners can be found at <a href="mailto:governor.ohio.gov">governor.ohio.gov</a>.

For more information on Ohio's vaccination plan, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine.

## **Ohio Department of Health Issues Vaccine Provider Update**

The Ohio Department of Health issued a new vaccine provider update on March 2, 2021. This update can be accessed <a href="here">here</a>.