

COVID-19 Response Efforts - February 16, 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 www.coronavirus.ohio.gov or call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH.

COVID-19 Vaccine Town Halls

The Ohio Department of Health and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services have scheduled a series of COVID-19 Vaccine Town Halls with medical experts, community leaders, and public health professionals to address common concerns and questions among specific populations. As Ohio continues to roll out the COVID-19 vaccine, sharing accurate, reliable information with at-risk populations to help reduce vaccine hesitancy remains a high priority.

Whether it is due to language barriers, lack of access to the healthcare system, or doubt about COVID-19 vaccines, Ohioans need access to accurate, reliable information about the vaccines. To help meet this need, Ohio is addressing health inequities and separating facts from myths in upcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Town Halls.

Ohio's COVID-19 Vaccine Town Hall for African American Ohioans

Monday, Feb. 22, 2021, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

https://coronavirus. ohio.gov/townhall

Unfortunately, there are a lot of dangerous myths out there about COVID-19 vaccines. You might hear these myths on social media, at work, or from friends or family. No matter where you hear them, they can cause doubt or skepticism, leaving you looking for answers. The truth is that COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective, and rigorously tested. The upcoming Town Halls give you answers and access to trustworthy information about COVID-19 vaccines.

The Town Hall schedule for at-risk populations is as follows:

- Monday, February 22, 6:30 p.m. African American Ohioans
- Tuesday, Feb. 23, 6:30 p.m. Hispanic/Latino Ohioans
- Monday, March 1, 6:30 p.m. Asian American and Pacific Islander Ohioans
- Tuesday, March 2, 6:30 p.m. Rural Ohioans

During this one-hour Town Hall, available live and on-demand after the event, you'll hear from medical experts, community leaders, and public health professionals.

How to watch: Watch live or on-demand after the event:

- Facebook https://www.facebook.com/OHdeptofhealth/
- YouTube https://www.youtube.com/c/OhioDepartmentofHealth1
- Online https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/townhall

Watch later on TV: Watch later on the Ohio Channel.

Find the date and time, and your local channel by checking with your PBS station or television provider.

Learn more at coronavirus.ohio.gov/townhall.

To assist medical professionals in advertising the COVID-19 Vaccine Town Halls, ODH has put together a toolkit. This toolkit has been developed with talking points, language tips, and social media language to help you better communicate Ohio's COVID-19 Vaccine Town Halls. The toolkit can be found here.

Additionally, ODH has issued a graphics package of web banners, fliers, social media graphics, and web advertisements that can be accessed here.



Ohio's COVID-19 Vaccine Town Hall for Rural Ohioans

Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

https://coronavirus. ohio.gov/townhall

Intern Supervision Resolution for COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

On 2/16/2021, the Board issued a resolution on pharmacy intern supervision requirements for COVID-19 vaccine administration. For more information, licensees are encouraged to review Q17 of the following guidance document: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/COVIDvaccine.