Joint Statement from Lake County Emergency Management Agency
Lake County General Health District, and Lake Health
Re: COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution
For Phase 1B Populations in Lake County

In support of Ohio’s statewide effort to distribute COVID-19 vaccines to Ohioans in Phase 1B, Lake County Emergency Agency (EMA) and Lake County General Health District (LCGHD) are notifying Lake County residents of local providers who will begin vaccine distribution during the week of January 18. Governor DeWine has announced a tiered system for offering vaccinations to the estimated 2.2 million people who are eligible for the vaccine under this phase, beginning with those who are 80 years of age or older. During this phase, vaccine supply will remain extremely limited. Vaccine distribution is scheduled to begin as follows:

- The week of January 18: Ohioans 80 years of age and older.
- The week of January 25: Ohioans 75 years of age and older; those with severe congenital or developmental disorders.
- The week of February 1: Ohioans 70 years of age and older; employees of K-12 schools that wish to remain or return to in-person or hybrid models.
- The week of February 8: Ohioans 65 years of age and older.

It is important for Lake County residents to understand that the total number of vaccine doses being sent to each county to administer to its residents is quite small, with vaccine providers each receiving 100 - 200 doses. Lake County providers will receive 2,400 doses in total to administer to Phase 1B residents next week. Additionally, providers do not know how many doses they are to receive each week until several days before shipment, making it difficult to schedule clinic many days in advance. To date, over 15,000 Lake County residents have expressed interest in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine through LCGHD. For these reasons, it will take many weeks to reach everyone in Phase 1B who are eligible and seeking vaccination.

Vaccine will be offered at the following Lake County providers the week of January 18.

Lake Health and Lake County General Health District
At this time, Lake Health and LCGHD will be combining resources to vaccinate those who are eligible for Phase 1B. Anyone 65 years of age or older, and those with severe congenital, developmental, or early-onset disorders is eligible for vaccination in 1B. Anyone who is interested can be placed on a list to be contacted for scheduling when vaccine becomes available by visiting https://www.lcghd.org/2019-novel-coronavirus-ncov/covid-19-vaccination/, or calling (440) 350-2188. The link to sign up is located under the Phase 1B heading. Eligible individuals will then be notified through the Lake County Wireless Emergency Notification System (WENS) via telephone and email with instructions on how to schedule an appointment. Clinic times and locations will also be provided at that time. It may take several weeks to be notified by the WENS system. Initially, vaccine clinics will be limited to a few select sites, and later expanded as vaccine becomes more widespread.
available. Laketran has offered to provide transportation services to those who need it. LCGHD will be working directly with Lake County schools to coordinate vaccination of interested school personnel.

To support the response, Lake County is also utilizing the WENS system which has the ability to send out text notifications to update residents about important changes to the LCGHD’s COVID-19 Vaccine website, https://www.lcghd.org/2019-novel-coronavirus-ncov/covid-19-vaccination. This system will be one of several resources available for residents to have easy access to the most up-to-date information. Residents are invited to text the keyword LAKEOHVAX to 69310 to sign-up to receive messages from the WENS system. This is an optional service, and residents do not need to sign up for this service to be receive notifications when vaccine is available.

**Signature Health**  
https://www.signaturehealthinc.org/  
(440) 440-578-8203

The following Lake County retail pharmacies are also receiving doses the week of January 18.

**Discount Drug Mart**  
34100 Vine Street, Eastlake (440) 942-3330  
8500 Mentor Avenue, Mentor (440) 255-0040  
8023 Crile Road, Concord Township (440) 853-2542  
Discount Drug Mart will have appointment windows that align with their normal pharmacy hours, seven days a week. Patients should call the store, and press “1” for the pharmacy to schedule an appointment.

**Giant Eagle Pharmacy**  
36475 Euclid Avenue, Willoughby (440) 946-7714  
6556 N. Ridge Road, Madison (440) 428-6111  
30320 Lakeshore Boulevard, Willowick (440) 944-6963  
8383 Tyler Boulevard, Mentor (440) 701-1004  
1201 Mentor Avenue, Painesville (440) 358-7769  
6079 Andrews Road, Mentor-on-the-Lake (440) 306-0011

**Marc’s Pharmacy**  
9700 Lakeshore Boulevard, Willowick (440) 944-2801  
7353 Mentor Avenue, Mentor (440) 951-1721  

Beginning January 14, a statewide vaccine provider search is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine. This search feature will identify vaccine providers in each Ohio county, as well as the number of doses allocated to each location. Residents are encouraged to check both websites frequently as information continues to develop.

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