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IMPORTANT COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATE

Dear Healthcare Professional:

The first round of doses of COVID-19 vaccine have successfully arrived in Indiana and healthcare workers on the frontlines around the state are getting vaccinated.

We appreciate everyone's support, understanding and patience as our team and hospital partners roll out this unprecedented statewide vaccination effort, the largest and most complex public health operation we will carry out during this pandemic.

Due to the very limited number of doses in our initial shipment and anticipated doses in future shipments, only healthcare personnel in hospitals, long-term care facilities and emergency medical services agencies are currently eligible to receive the vaccine.

If you are included in this initial priority group, you should receive a message from the Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) through your employer with a link to register for your appointment to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. *PLEASE DO NOT FORWARD THIS EMAIL TO OTHERS.*

Due to limitation of our vaccine supply and the need to coordinate administration at the designated vaccine administration sites, these emails are targeted directly to long-term care facility employees, hospital providers and employees, and emergency medical services personnel who are most at risk for contact with COVID-positive patients at the designated sites.

The vaccine will be made available to the rest of the healthcare workforce as Indiana receives additional shipments of vaccine and vaccine administration sites have the capacity to expand beyond this initial group.

To **promote**, **protect**, and **improve** the health and safety of all Hoosiers.



When that occurs, you will receive a message from the Indiana Department of Health, Professional Licensing Agency, and/or various healthcare associations if you are a member. To ensure you receive this email, make sure your contact information is up to date with the Professional Licensing Agency here: <https://www.in.gov/pla/3121.htm>.

Again, to promote the most effective and efficient use of Indiana's first available COVID-19 vaccine and to ensure vaccine administration appointments are reserved for targeted individuals, DO NOT FORWARD vaccine registration emails unless specifically directed to do so in the communication you receive.

Please continue to visit coronavirus.in.gov/vaccine for updated information about the COVID-19 vaccine in Indiana. The state Department of Health will continue to provide updates on vaccine allocation on this website and through other communications as more information becomes available.

Thank you for all you do each and every day to protect and care for the health of Hoosiers.

Yours in health,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lindsay Weaver". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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