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## MEDIA RELEASE

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District Health Department No. 2 (DHD2) has been working hard to develop a distribution process for the COVID-19 vaccine. Following guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS), the COVID-19 vaccine will be prioritized. DHD2's initial shipments will only have small numbers of vaccines so DHD2's main focus will be certain areas in Phase 1A which includes EMS staff, Medical First Responders and DHD2 vaccine clinic staff. Below is a list of priority phases:

- Phase 1 A includes paid and unpaid persons serving in health care settings who have direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials and are unable to work from home, as well as residents of long-term care facilities. Many long-term care facilities are partnering with CVS or Walgreens to receive the vaccine.
- Phase 1B includes some workers in essential and critical industries, including education sector, workers with unique skill sets such as non-hospital or non-public health laboratories and mortuary services.
- Phase 1C includes people at high risk for severe COVID-19 illness due to underlying medical conditions, and people 65 years and older.
- Phase 2 is a mass vaccination campaign for all adults.

**Important:** If you are a health care setting in Phase 1A, please email the DHD2 COVID-19 hotline [healthed@dhd2.org](mailto:healthed@dhd2.org) with the following information.

- Business name
- Type of business
- Contact person (name, phone number, and email)
- How many vaccines needed

Visit [www.dhd2.org/COVID-19](http://www.dhd2.org/COVID-19) for additional COVID-19 information or call DHD2's COVID-19 Hotline at 989-343-1827 or email [healthed@dhd2.org](mailto:healthed@dhd2.org).