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COVID-19 VACCINE DISTRIBUTION FOR PHASE 1B POPULATIONS TO BEGIN IN WAYNE COUNTY

January 14, 2021 – The State of Ohio has announced statewide efforts to distribute COVID-19 vaccines to Ohioans who belong to the Phase 1B population beginning January 19, 2021. This is part of a tiered approach based on vaccination priorities designated by Governor Mike DeWine and the Ohio Department of Health.

The Wayne County Health Department (WCHD), Wooster Community Hospital, Aultman-Orrville Hospital, Discount Drug Mart and Marcs Pharmacy will serve as vaccine dispensing points to serve Wayne County residents.

Wayne County will be receiving a total of 900 doses for next week. Supply of vaccines sent by the State of Ohio to Wayne County is currently in very small numbers. Due to the current supply levels, we anticipate there will not be enough vaccine to be distributed to each age group in their assigned week. As a result, the WCHD has established a registry for any Wayne County resident 65 and older interested in receiving the vaccine. This registry will allow the Wayne County Health Department to prioritize vaccine distribution between the Health Department and the Hospitals. It will also allow us to contact those who were unable to receive the vaccine to receive it when vaccine supply increases. We are asking residents to be patient.

Those who complete the registry will receive further information or notification on where to receive their vaccination and when vaccine is available for them. You will not receive vaccine through the Health Department or the hospitals if you have not registered and been notified with a clinic appointment. The vaccine registry can be found at www.wayne-health.org/coronavirus. If you do not have internet access or you need assistance filling the form out, please contact The United Way WHIRE line at (330) 263-6363. Someone there will assist you. Please do not go to a dispensing location and expect to receive a vaccine if you have not been contacted for an appointment.

Each vaccine recipient is asked to bring their insurance information however it is not required if they have no insurance. There is no out of pocket cost for receiving the vaccine through the health department or the hospitals. Also please plan to receive your second dose where you received your first dose.

Discount Drug Mart and Marc's Pharmacy will also be receiving part of the county's total allocation.

For information on receiving vaccine at one of the pharmacies you may contact Discount Drug Mart in Wooster at (330) 264-8404 and dial 1 for the pharmacy or Marc's Pharmacy in Wooster at (330) 234-5601.

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