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**Purpose of COVID-19 Member Briefings:**

Provide members with up-to-date information and resources for testing, vaccines and any emerging COVID-19 response needs.

**Member Briefings will take place:** First Tuesday and third Wednesday of the month at 2pm, January – March 2021 *(changing to third Tuesday for March)*
Five Science-Backed Strategies to Build Resilience

1. Change the narrative
2. Face your fears
3. Practice self-compassion
4. Meditate
5. Cultivate forgiveness

https://greatergood.berkeley.edu/article/item/five_science_backed_strategies_to_build_resilience
Resiliency in the Workplace

6 min video
Warm Up Poll

What do you most want to learn about on today’s Member Briefing?

Respond by unmuting yourself or typing into the Zoom chat
Mentimeter- Issues & Concerns Poll

Go to www.menti.com and use the code 22 11 51 3

What are you the most concerned about at your health center right now?

Should OPCA continue to host 2 member Briefings a month and 4 Vaccine Workgroup calls per month? Or move to one Member Briefing and two Vaccine workgroup calls in April?

Keep this menti open for questions at the end of this presentation.
• Once again, the top 3 challenges in deploying the vaccine are:
  » Vaccine supply (60% of health centers said this was a concern)
  » Staffing to administer the vaccine (52% of health centers said this was a concern)
  » Financial reimbursement for costs associated with vaccine administration (20% of health centers said this was a concern)
COVID Data: Testing
Survey week of February 19, 2021
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Survey week of February 19, 2021

• We’re seeing a decrease in tests per week. Is this because:
  » You have limited access to COVID tests?
  » Staffing allocations are going toward vaccine distribution?
  » Something else?
COVID Data: Testing
Survey week of February 19, 2021

Positivity Rate over Time

Measure Names
- Avg. Positivity Rate Minority
- Avg. Positivity Rate Non Minority
- Avg. Positivity Rate Overall

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COVID Data: Vaccines given to date
Survey week of February 19, 2021

Staff and Patient Immunization

Measure Names:
- Number of Patients Completed Immunization Series
- Number of Patients Initiated Immunization Series
- Number of Staff Completed Immunization Series
- Number of Staff Initiated Immunization Series

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Testing
Testing demand and cases are down.

Return to a testing environment to address outbreaks and do contact tracing.

Where are outbreaks likely to occur?
Testing Coordinator Map

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Migrant & Seasonal Farmworker Testing

OHA Communities Of Color Testing Partner:

Welcome Janet Quiroz

How else are you partnering with farms/orchards/food processing?
Order more BinaxNow

https://www.orpca.org/chc/operations/36-covid-19-resources

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Vaccine Updates
State & Federal Equity Allocations to FQHCs

State Vaccine Equity Allocations:

- Multnomah County
- Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Centers
- Columbia River Community Health Center
- La Clinica
- One Community Health
- Valley Family Health Care
- Yakima Valley Farmworkers Clinics

HRSA Allocations

250 Health Centers Oregon Cohorts 2&3:

- Multnomah County
- Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Centers
- Lane County
- Neighborhood Health Center
New State Vaccine Guidelines

**Phase 1A** Started on December 12, 2020

- Everyone in Phase 1A, Groups 1, 2, 3 and 4 is eligible for the vaccine.
- **Group 1**
  - Hospital staff with patient care responsibilities
  - Urgent care
  - Skilled nursing and memory care facility healthcare personnel (HCP) and residents
  - Tribal health programs
  - Emergency medical services (EMS) providers and other first responders
  - All health care interpreters and traditional health workers in any setting within Phase 1a
- **Group 2**
  - Other long-term care facilities, including all paid and unpaid HCP, all staff and contractors, including residents who meet the age requirements of:
    - Residential care facilities
    - Adult foster care
    - Group homes for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities
    - Other similar congregate care sites
    - Hospice programs
    - Mobile crisis care and related services
  - Individuals working in a correctional setting
  - Adults and youth in custody 16 years and older

**Phase 1B** Started on January 25, 2021

- **Groups 1–4**
  - Childcare providers, early learning and K–12 educators and staff
  - People 70 and older
- **Group 3**
  - HCPS in outpatient settings serving specific high-risk groups
  - Day treatment services
  - Non-emergency medical transport (NEMT)
  - Paid or unpaid caregivers (including parents or foster parents) of medically fragile children or adults who live at home
- **Group 4**
  - All other outpatient HCPS
  - Other HCP who provide direct service to people with I/DD and other high-risk populations.
  - Other public health settings, such as HCP serving WIC, or CEO’s with direct or indirect exposures

**Phase 2**

- **Group 1**
  - Eligible no later than June 1, 2021
    - People who are 65–64
- **Group 2**
  - Eligible no later than July 1, 2021
    - All Oregonians 16 and older eligible.
  - Individuals experiencing homelessness (sheltered and unsheltered)
  - People currently displaced by wildfires
  - Wildland firefighters

**Group 5**
- Eligible March 1, 2021
  - People 65 and older

**Group 6**
- Eligible no later than March 29, 2021
  - Adults 45–64 with one or more underlying health conditions with increased risk*
  - Migrant and seasonal farm workers
  - Seafood and agricultural workers
  - Food processing workers
  - People living in low-income senior housing, senior congregate and independent living
- **Group 7**
  - Eligible no later than May 1, 2021
    - Frontline workers as defined by CDC**
    - Multigenerational household members
    - Adults 16–44 with one or more underlying health conditions with increased risk*

**Educators:**
- 152,000 approximately
- People over 65:
- 795,000 approximately
**Underlying health conditions with increased risk as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)**

- Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Down Syndrome
- Heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
- Immunocompromised state (weakened immune system) from solid organ transplant or HIV
- Obesity (BMI greater than or equal to 30 kg/m²)
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 2 diabetes mellitus

**Frontline workers include people who work in these industries:**

- A frontline worker is someone who has a job that puts the individual at higher risk for contracting COVID-19 because of:
  - Regular close contact with others outside of their household (less than six feet); and
  - Routine (more than 15 minutes per person(s)) close contact with others outside of their household; and
  - They cannot perform their job duties from home or another setting that limits the close or routine contact with others outside of their household.

  These include:

  - Workers who are manufacturing vaccine, therapeutics, devices, supplies, or personal protective equipment
  - Ranching, greenhouses, beverage manufacturing
  - Grocery store and retail workers, including food markets, pharmacies, convenience stores, retail clothing and specialty stores
  - Community colleges, colleges, universities, vocational rehabilitation, trade and professional schools
  - U.S. Postal Service workers
  - Public transit workers, including rural, interurban and urban bus and rail operators
  - Manufacturing; including paper, petroleum, coal, asphalt, roofing, chemical, plastics, metal, industrial machinery, computers, electronics, transportation, medical equipment, repair and maintenance
  - Transportation and logistics, including air, rail, water, truck, taxi, limousine, charter bus, other transit and ground passenger transportation, warehousing, storage and delivery services
  - Food service, including restaurant, bar and kitchen staff
  - Energy, including utilities, oil and gas extraction, mining, gas stations, fuel delivery, environmental consulting
  - Water and wastewater, solid waste management and recycling, including utilities
  - Housing, including construction, contractors, real estate and hotels, housing services such affordable housing programs, motels and commercial accommodations
  - Information technology and communications
  - News media, including broadcasting and publishing
  - Public health workers, including scientific and technical consulting, research and development
  - Public safety, including civil engineers, human services and social services, such as child protective services
  - Finance, including banks, accounting, tax preparation, payroll services
  - Legal, including court staff, judges, attorneys
  - Government, including employees and contractors performing services or business for the public, and elected officials
  - State of Oregon legislative and executive branch frontline employees on a list maintained by the Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

¹ This is not an exhaustive list; see https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/categories-essential-workers.html for a full list.

• https://sharedsystems.dhsoha.state.or.us/DHSForms/Served/lc3527A.pdf
COVID-19 Coverage for CAWEM

Updates for Oregon Health Plan providers

Reminder about COVID-19 vaccine, testing and treatment coverage for CAWEM members: CAWEM members may obtain COVID-19 vaccines, tests and treatment at any emergency department, clinic, or urgent care that accepts open card (fee-for-service) members. CAWEM members may not be billed for any COVID-19-related services, including any administrative fees or cost-sharing.

- On the Eligibility Verification screen of the Provider Web Portal, CAWEM-only members have the CWM benefit package. CAWEM Plus members have the CWX benefit package.

- Questions? Email Medicaid.Programs@dhsoha.state.or.us.

Please continue to refer to the Oregon Medicaid COVID-19 Provider Guide for information related to OHP and CAWEM coverage of testing, screening, treatment and telemedicine services; OHP and CAWEM eligibility; and other information and resources related to providing and billing for covered services during COVID-19.
COVID-19 Vaccine Planning

Ensuring Equity in COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

Engaging Federally Qualified Health Centers

Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program

https://www.hrsa.gov/coronavirus/health-center-program
Health Center/Look-Alike COVID-19 Survey Addendum

Beginning this Friday, health centers that have received COVID-19 vaccines through the Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program will be required to complete the weekly Health Center/Look-Alike COVID-19 Survey.

They will also be required to answer several additional questions relating specifically to how their health center used the vaccines they received through the program. Health centers not enrolled in the Health Center COVID-19 Vaccine Program will not see, or have to answer, the addendum questions.

See a preview of this addendum. We’re working on updating the User Guide and expect these updates to be available on, or before, Friday, February 26.

https://www.hrsa.gov/coronavirus/health-center-program
HRSA released a first-of-its-kind Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), the fiscal year 2021 Health Center Program Service Expansion - **School-Based Service Sites (SBSS, HRSA-21-093)**. SBSS funding will increase the number of patients receiving services through new and expanded school-based service sites.

Technical assistance (TA) resources, including a webinar overview of the NOFO, are available on the **SBSS TA webpage**

FY 2021 SBSS applications are due in:

- **Grants.gov**: Monday, March 22 (11:59 p.m. ET).
- HRSA’s Electronic Handbooks: Tuesday, April 20 (5:00 p.m. ET).

**Mobile Vans** – potential funding in the new Federal Budget.
Vaccine Volunteers

- Vaccine Volunteers – vaccines, “better than leftover donuts!”

It covers Qualified Persons - which they define as:
A qualified person means a licensed health professional or other individual authorized to prescribe, administer, or dispense Covered Countermeasures under the law of the state in which the Covered Countermeasure was prescribed, administered, or dispensed.

FTCA
https://bphc.hrsa.gov/ftca/about/health-center-volunteers.html
State Emergency Registry of Volunteers in Oregon (SERV-OR)

- Reach out to local health department, Medical Reserve Corps Units (MRC).
- If no MRC unit, local health department and/or the Emergency Manager’s office help submit an official resource request to OHA.

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HHS Mask Distribution Program

On February 24, to support President Biden’s call to “mask up” for 100 days in order to reduce the spread of COVID-19, the White House announced a partnership between HHS and the Department of Defense (DoD) to deliver free masks to HRSA-funded health centers and Health Center Program look-alikes for distribution to patients, staff, and community members. This initiative recognizes health centers as vital partners in community-based outreach efforts to reach vulnerable populations. DoD is also working with the Department of Agriculture to supply masks to 300 food banks as part of the effort.

DoD anticipates shipping the masks beginning in March, as production ramps up. HRSA will send an email communication from the Electronic Handbooks (EHBs) to each health center and look-alike with the specific number of masks that will be shipped to the health center’s administrative address on record within the EHBs. If your health center does not want to receive a shipment of masks, you will be able to opt out using the BPHC Contact Form.

HRSA has added several new questions about the HHS Mask Distribution Program to their COVID-19 FAQ webpage.
Kaiser Vaccine Messaging Resource Center

• https://covidcommunityresources.org/

COVID-19 Community Resource Download Center
Policy Updates
Policy Updates
NACHC Policy and Issues Forum

• NACHC Policy and Issues Forum week of March 15th
  Virtual Hill Day on Wednesday, March 17th

• State prep meeting and members of Congress appointment coming to your calendar soon!
  » Please connect with Marty (mcarty@or pca.org) with questions or to ensure you receive these invites

• Tomorrow! Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 2 p.m. EST NACHC Prep Webinar – Open to All Advocates
  • Review of 2021 policy papers and important conference logistics.
  • Register Here.
White House and Congressional Timeline

SENATE RECEIVES HOUSE BILL
Vote-a-Rama expected
Minimum Wage Provision Taken out – Fails Byrd Rule
Week of March 1

SENATE SENDS BILL BACK TO HOUSE
Senate will send an amended COVID-19 bill back to House for final a vote
Week of March 8

EXPECTED DATE OF FINAL PASSAGE
President Biden expected to sign COVID-19 Package
By March 14th

WHITE HOUSE SKINNY BUDGET
President Biden expected to introduce “Skinny” version of the annual Budget
April 2021

WHITE HOUSE FULL BUDGET
President Biden expected to introduced a FULL budget
May 2021
FDA approves EUA for J&J Vaccine

The **SINGLE DOSE** vaccine was found to reduce cases of moderate to severe COVID-19 infection by 66.1%, starting 28 days after the single shot.

- The FDA committee may recommend the vaccine only be used in people 18 to 75, because there were too few data generated by the Phase 3 study to determine if the vaccine works in children under 18 and people over 75, although J&J is preparing adolescent trials.

- Trial data indicated that adverse reactions to the vaccine were relatively rare.

- This week the Biden Administration will start the rollout of 3 million to 4 million J&J vaccine doses including 2 million to States, territories, and tribes, and the rest to pharmacies and Community Health Centers.

J&J has agreed to supply the federal government with 20 million doses of its vaccine by the end of March and 100 million doses by the end of June.

**Recent OPCA conversation with OHA Vaccine Primary Care + FQHC lead (Kristen Dillon) indicates that state will be taking patient centered approach to allow for patient choice in vaccine, *where/when available*.**
Where to find the latest COVID-19 information

- OPCA’s Member Update: Sign up at https://action.orpca.org/newsletter_signup/  
  » Check your spam or junk folders to ensure you are receiving these
- Visit OPCA’s website for COVID-19 resources: www.orpca.org
- Follow us on Twitter @OregonPCA  
  Facebook @OregonPrimaryCareAssociation  
  or LinkedIn: www.linkedin.com/company/oregon-primary-care-association
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