



COVID-19 VACCINE WEEKLY BRIEFING REPORT

March 1, 2021

Vaccine Supply

Vaccine supply continues to be the largest limiting factor across the U.S. CCH is working closely with the county and state to stand up additional Points of Distribution (PODs) in the coming weeks which will enable us to move quickly as the vaccine supply increases. Until vaccine supply significantly improves, there will be weeks when the overwhelming number of appointments will be prioritized for second doses. For the second week, more than 80% of this week's CCH appointments are second doses.

Recent Activities & Highlights

- In partnership with MABAS 3 and New Trier High School District, CCDPH opened a targeted POD on 2/24/21. More than 550 first responders and educators were vaccinated on the first day.
- As announced on 2/26/21 and in partnership with federal, state and Chicago partners, Cook County will assist in standing up a mass vaccine site at the United Center tentatively set to open on March 10th. More details are expected this week.
- CCDPH updated its travel guidance on 2/26/21. See below for more information.

This Week's Calendar of Events

March 4 Tentative opening of DesPlaines Mega POD pending vaccine supply.

Microsite Stats from vaccine.cookcountyil.gov

The microsite has received nearly 930,000 unique registrations since it launched on January 25th. This week, the site averaged 511.9k hits each day from 331k from unique IP addresses. CCH continues to monitor the user experience and make improvements to the site.

Call Center Stats - 1-833-308-1988 Monday-Friday, 7:00AM – 7:00PM

Over the past week, the Vaccine Registration/Sign Up Call Center received more than 61,000 calls averaging more than 12,000 calls per day.

Second Dose Appointments

Vaccine is received and earmarked for first or second dose to ensure that all individuals who receive their first dose get their second dose. It appears as though when first dose appointments were fully booked, hundreds of individuals chose a second dose appointment without actually receiving their first dose anywhere. Unfortunately, due to vaccine supply individuals who self-scheduled for a second dose without having a first dose have been asked to reschedule for their first dose. If we allowed those who scheduled inappropriate second doses to receive the vaccine, we would not have enough supply for those with legitimate second dose appointments. The microsite no longer allows an individual to schedule a second dose without proof of having their first dose. Second doses are scheduled onsite after receiving the first dose.



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Shots In Arms (as of 2/26/21)

Vaccine (1st & 2nd doses) at CCH PODs

CCH Chicago PODs*	Total	CCH Suburban PODs**	Total
Austin Health Center	1,504	Arlington Heights Health Center	10,291
Dr. Jorge Prieto Health Center	1,374	Blue Island Health Center	7,221
Englewood Health Center	1,661	Cottage Grove Health Center	5,559
Logan Square Health Center	1,342	Morton East Health Center	3,104
Sengstacke Health Center	3,538	North Riverside Health Center	8,105
Ruth M. Rothstein CORE Center	3,083	Robbins Health Center	5,878
Stroger Hospital	3,308		
TOTAL	15,810	TOTAL	40,158

*Vaccine Distributed to CCH by the Chicago Department of Public Health. City sites began later than suburban sites thus the lag in shots administered.

**Vaccine Distributed to CCH by the Cook County Department of Public Health

Vaccine (1st & 2nd doses) Administered at Mega & Targeted PODs

Mega PODs	Total	Targeted PODs	Total
Tinley Park Convention Center	43,466	Thornton Fractional South HS	3,344
Triton College	12,271	MABAS 3/New Trier HS	571
South Suburban College	7,646		
TOTAL	63,383	TOTAL	3,915

Vaccine (1st & 2nd doses) Administered to Specific Populations

Population	Total Doses (first & second)	Unique Individuals
Cook County Health Employees & Contractors	9,703	5,308
Dept. of Corrections and JTDC Employees & Contractors	4,126	2,563
Cermak Health Services Patients	1,312	1,312
TOTAL	15,141	9,183

NOTE: Initial demographic data is consistent with state and national numbers. Pilot programs to improve vaccination rates in vulnerable communities are underway. Data is being validated and a comprehensive equity plan is being developed. We will share more next week.

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According to the Illinois Department of Public Health

As of 2/27/21, 514,465 vaccines have been administered to Cook County residents in CCDPH's jurisdiction. 153,453 suburban Cook County residents (or 6.2%) are fully vaccinated. Over 40 percent of the 65 and older population has received at least one dose. This data is inclusive of all vaccine providers in suburban Cook County.

Public Education & Engagement Efforts

Through a CBS Community Partnership "Eye on Health" PSA commercial began running on Monday, Feb. 22nd. The spot has run 60 times during broadcast programs in the past two weeks, including during the CBS Black History Month "History Makers Special" on Feb. 24th. The :60 sec. and :30 sec. versions of the PSA are also available on YouTube for easy sharing. To watch the PSA, click the image below.

A large-scale public education campaign themed "My Shot" will go into market this month and will run through at least August. The campaign will feature residents of Cook County and highlight their reasons for taking the COVID 'shot'. Campaign assets will include digital, bus shelters, billboards, transit and radio advertising, website, social media and toolkits that will be provided to commissioners, community based organizations and other partners to educate the public about the importance of vaccinations.



CCDPH Contact Tracing Initiative

- **Staffing:** 182 tracers, 60 Case Investigators, 7 supervisors and 10 leadership/other staff. Sixteen (16) additional staff started today.
- **COVID-19 Positive Case Investigations (2/1 – 2/19, 2021)**
~7,275 actionable COVID positive cases in suburban Cook County
 - Of those cases, 89.7% were called & 62.5% were interviewed
- **Close Contact Outreach (2/1–2/19, 2021)**
 - 90.5% of close contacts were called & 74.7% were reached & interviewed

CCDPH Travel Guidance

CCDPH updated its travel guidance on 2/26/21 to aligned with Chicago so that guidance is consistent throughout most of Cook County. Travelers entering Cook County from any states marked as [higher-risk](#) are advised to do the following:

- obtain a negative COVID-19 test result no more than 72 hours **prior to arrival** in suburban Cook County; OR
- quarantine for a 10-day period (or for the duration of their time in suburban Cook County, whichever is shorter).
- Travelers do not have to get tested or quarantine if they are fully vaccinated, as long as they maintain strict masking and physical distancing, and do not have any COVID-19 symptoms.



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CCH Vaccination Strategy

CCH is developing a multi-pronged approach to vaccine administration to expand current capacity, ensure an equitable distribution of vaccine in vulnerable communities and to help safely restore critical public services to the community. As vaccine supply increases, additional Points of Distribution (PODs) will be considered. All sites require an appointment. **Updates from previous week in bold.**

POD Type	Definitions	Location(s)
CCH Mega PODs	Open to the general public who meet current eligibility criteria. Appointments required. Scheduling done through vaccine.cookcountyil.gov or 1-833-308-1988 M-F 7AM – 7PM	Tinley Park Convention Center Triton College – River Grove South Sub. College – South Holland Des Plaines – Tentative Open 3/4/21*
Targeted PODs	Open initially to a specific eligible population (i.e. educators, police, etc) within a geographic region. May have capacity to expand to other priority populations or eligible community members in same geographic area. Appointments required. Scheduling handled by local facility.	Thornton Fractional South – Lansing New Trier High School – Northfield
CCH PODs	Open to CCH patients and the general public who meet current eligibility. Appointments required. Scheduling done through vaccine.cookcountyil.gov or 1-833-308-1988 M-F 7AM – 7PM	<i>Suburban Locations:</i> Arlington Heights Health Center Blue Island Health Center Cottage Grove Health Center Morton East Health Center North Riverside Health Center Robbins Health Center <i>Chicago Locations:</i> Austin Health Center Dr. Jorge Prieto Health Center Englewood Health Center Logan Square Health Center Provident Hospital Ruth M. Rothstein CORE Center Stroger Hospital
Partner PODs	CCDPH has distributed vaccine to more than 145 partner locations consisting of Jewel-Osco, Walgreens, Marianos, FQHCs, hospitals. Scheduling is done by each partner organization.	<i>Jewel-Osco (20 locations)</i> <i>Walgreens (40 locations)</i> <i>Mariano's (15 locations)</i> <i>FQHCs (20 locations)</i> <i>Hospitals (18)</i> <i>Others (32)</i>

*pending vaccine supply