

# SCDD COVID-19 Vaccine Community Conversation

## DVU January 27, 2021

---

**Aaron Carruthers**

State Council on Developmental Disabilities  
CA Community Vaccine Advisory Committee Member

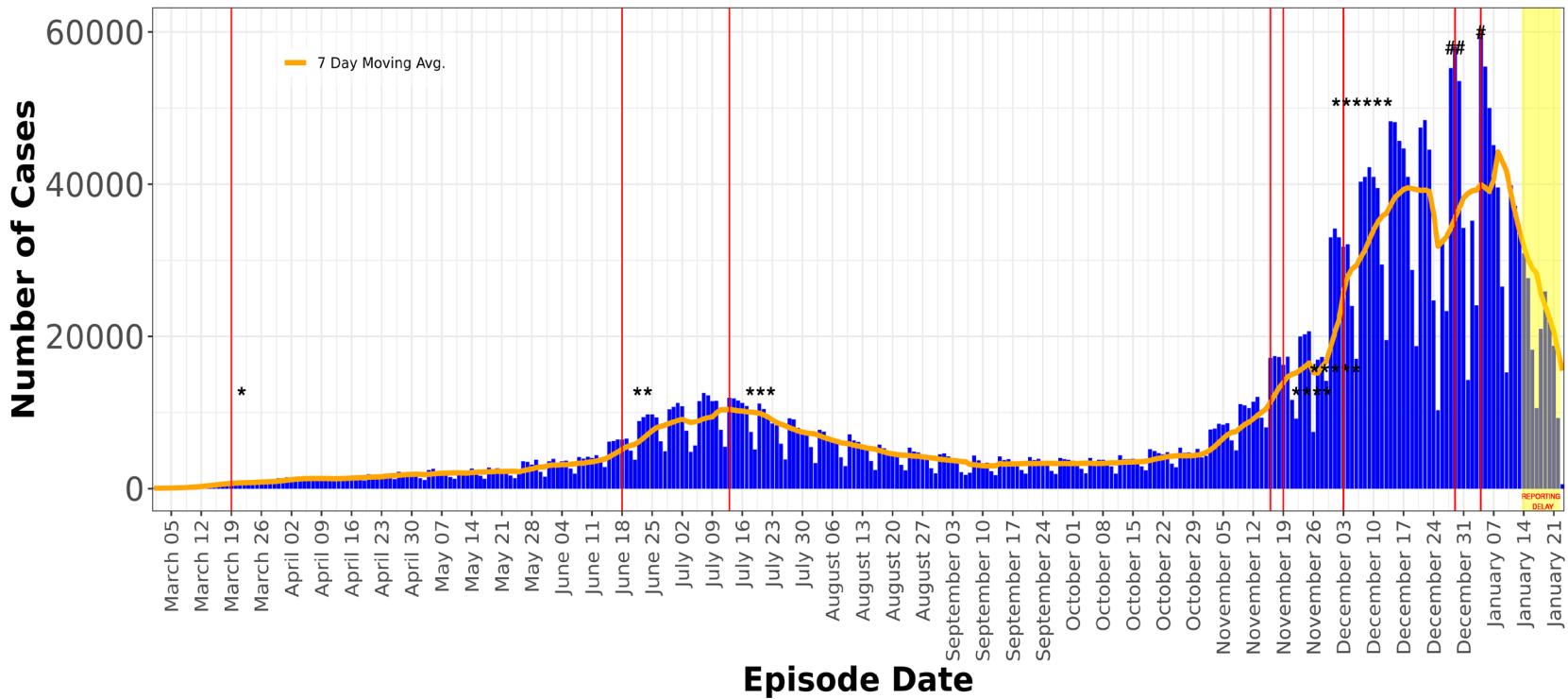


# Overview

- ▶ Where are we now?
- ▶ What is the Vaccine Advisory Committee and what is their role?
- ▶ What is the order for the vaccine rollout?

# Where Are We Now?

## COVID Cases 3/1/20 – 1/24/21



# Where Are We Now?

As of January 25, 2021

- ▶ Tests: 41,010,770
- ▶ Cases: 3,153,186
- ▶ Deaths: 37,527

# Where Are We Now?

As of January 25, 2021

- ▶ Doses Shipped: 3,319,000
  - Receive between 300k – 500k per week
- ▶ Doses Administered: 2,587,736
  - Daily Rate: about 125,000
- ▶ Close to 500k received 2<sup>nd</sup> dose

# Community Vaccine Advisory Committee (CVAC)

- ▶ CA Dept of Public Health
  - Scientific Safety Review Workgroup
  - Drafting Guidelines Workgroup
  - Community Vaccine Advisory Committee
- ▶ 70 members
  - 5 representing disability advocates
- ▶ Values: Ensuring the vaccine is safe, distributed and administered equitably, at first to those with the highest risk of becoming infected and spreading COVID-19

# Community Vaccine Advisory Committee (CVAC)

- ▶ My focus so far
  - Vaccine priority for people with intellectual, developmental, and other disabilities
  - Vaccine priority for caregivers, whether paid or not, whether family or not
  - Vaccine safety for people with complex medical conditions, and interaction with other drugs
  - Voluntary & Informed consent

# Vaccine Bascis: Ingredients

## ► Pfizer

- mRNA, lipids ((4-hydroxybutyl)azanediyl)bis(hexane-6,1-diyl)bis(2-hexyldecanoate), 2 [(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N,N-ditetradecylacetamide, 1,2-Distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine, and cholesterol), potassium chloride, monobasic potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, dibasic sodium phosphate dihydrate, and sucrose.

# Vaccine Basics: Ingredients

## ► Moderna

- mRNA: the proprietary ionizable lipid SM-102; cholesterol; 1,2-distearoyl-sn-glycero3-phosphocholine (DSPC); and 1-monomethoxypolyethyleneglycol-2,3-dimyristylglycerol with polyethylene glycol of average molecular weight 2000 (PEG2000-DMG); tris buffer containing sucrose and sodium

# Vaccine Basics: More Info

- ▶ Not known if it prevents transmission
- ▶ So keep good practices
  - Face masks
  - Wash hands
  - 6' apart

# Scarcity: Setting Priorities

- ▶ Currently there is not enough supply to immunize all persons who are willing to accept the vaccine
- ▶ Therefore, California is crafting a fair, equitable, evidence-based, and transparent policy to prioritize those who should be offered the vaccine initially until the capacity to manufacture and administer the vaccine increases

# Setting Priorities: Phase 1A

- ▶ Health care workers
- ▶ Long term care residents
- ▶ About 3 million Californians

# First Priority: Health Care Workers

- ▶ Broad definition of health care workers
- ▶ Phase 1A includes:
  - **"Home health care and in-home supportive services"**

# Next Priorities

- Simplifying vaccine eligibility framework
- Standardizing vaccine information and data
- Addressing supply
  - Administer what we have
  - Seek additional supply

Nothing should slow the administration of vaccine doses other than the pace that the state gets them

# Simplifying Eligibility

- Age: 65+
- Occupational Risk: Education and child care, Emergency services, Food and agriculture workers will be
- Vulnerable communities
- Eligible to start making appointments
- Pending vaccine availability

# Next Priorities: 1C

- ▶ 1C
  - 50+
  - 16-49 with underlying medical conditions and/or disability
  - Other Unvaccinated Essential workers:

# Advocacy: Move from 1C up to 1B

- ▶ Advocating that people with IDD, other disabilities and older Californians be included in Tier 1B
- ▶ Can be done by stating “any person receiving HCBS services are eligible”
- ▶ Signed by
  - 5 Disability Advocate Representatives on the CVAC
  - Over 270 organizations and 550 individuals

# State Council Contact Information

- › Email: [scdd@scdd.ca.gov](mailto:scdd@scdd.ca.gov)