



STATE OF HAWAII
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In reply, please refer to:
File:

January 13, 2021

Dear ARCH/CCFFH/DDDH licensee/certificate holder:

RE: IN-HOME COVID-19 VACCINATIONS ON OAHU FROM JANUARY 17, 2021 THROUGH JANUARY 30, 2021 FOR ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES (ARCH) COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES (CCFFH) AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES DOMICILIARY HOMES (DDDH)

The Office of Health Care Assurance (OHCA) is notifying you of in-home COVID-19 vaccinations that will be occurring on the island of Oahu from January 17, 2021 through January 31, 2021. Various pharmacies across Oahu will be administering the vaccine, these pharmacies include Pharmicare, 5 Minute Pharmacy, Times Pharmacy, Queens Medical Center Pharmacy, Foodland Pharmacy, and ElixRx Pharmacy. These home visits are being held specifically for persons included in Phase 1A of the U.S. Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID-19 vaccination program and State of Hawaii COVID-19 Vaccination Plan.

These persons include:

- 1) Your residents/clients (up to 5)
- 2) Primary Care Giver
- 3) Substitute Care Giver (up to 3)
- 4) Relatives in your home over seventy-five (75) years of age

Please see the attached documents for consent and vaccine information. The consent form needs to be filled out for each individual and must be available to give to the pharmacy when they arrive in your home to administer vaccine to you and your residents. All persons receiving the vaccine must have separate documents. If your resident has a guardian/POA, that person must also sign the consent. See attached pages for further instructions. A follow-up visit will be scheduled for you and your residents/clients to receive the second dose.

If your resident transfers to another facility after receiving their first dose of vaccine, they will receive the second dose at the time that facility is scheduled to receive their second dose. All persons receiving the vaccine will have their information entered into a tracking system and will be provided a vaccination card for their records.

The pharmacy will contact you via telephone to arrange for scheduling. Please do not call the pharmacies as it will interrupt and delay their ability to schedule the home visits. Please accept phone calls for scheduling from the pharmacies listed above.

Commonly asked questions:

- 1) Will the same pharmacy administer both doses?
 - a. Yes, and the vaccine will be from the same manufacturer.
- 2) Will there be a pre-registration process?
 - a. No. The pharmacy will contact you via telephone to schedule the in-home visit.
- 3) Who will administer and monitor after the vaccine is given?
 - a. A medical professional will administer the vaccine and monitor for reactions for a minimum of fifteen (15) minutes.
- 4) My resident has a POA/Guardian who is on the mainland? How can they sign the consent form?
 - a. A scanned signature is fine for the consent form. If the guardian/POA is unable to sign, please let the pharmacy know when they call to schedule their visit. They can assist with getting the consent.

For any additional questions, please contact your nurse consultant or email OHCA at DOH.OHCALicensing@doh.hawaii.gov. General information about the vaccine can be found at <https://health.hawaii.gov/coronavirusdisease2019/what-you-should-know/covid-19-vaccine-frequently-asked-questions/>

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Justin Lam', with a stylized flourish at the end.

JUSTIN LAM, R.N.
Section Supervisor
State Licensing Section

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