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COVID-19 VACCINATION STATUS INFORMATION

Phase of distribution: 1B, Groups A (80+) and B

Data:

- **Doses shipped to Saginaw County: 56,665**
- **Doses administered in Saginaw County: 39,353**
 Today’s mass indoor drive-through event at The Dow adds an additional 800+ residents. Remaining doses are earmarked for first and second dose clinics in the next 7 days.
- **Saginaw County Health Dept. doses administered as of 2/24:** (Note -- this does not include health department doses given to other providers to help with vaccination efforts. It does not include doses sent directly to hospitals and pharmacies):

COVID-19 (Moderna)												
<1	1	2	3-5	6	7-10	11-12	13-18	19-24	25-44	45-64	65+	TOTAL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	32	70	1	104
COVID-19 (Pfizer)												
<1	1	2	3-5	6	7-10	11-12	13-18	19-24	25-44	45-64	65+	TOTAL
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	262	1335	1514	3132	6257

The health department will be releasing additional data next week, including race/ethnicity.

Racial equity:

In addition to its inherent and ongoing focus on fair and equitable distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine, the Saginaw County Health Department has submitted an application with the state to receive additional doses for collaborative work aimed at the top five most socially vulnerable census tracts in the county.

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Factors contributing to social vulnerability include socioeconomic status, family composition & disability, minority status & language minority, and housing type & transportation.

In Saginaw County, that group includes 17,275 individuals (nearly 10% of our total population). Of those, all live on the east side of Saginaw and 76% are African American.

Partnering with the health department in its effort to reach those 60 and older in this population (approximately 6,800 people) are NAACP – Saginaw Branch, Saginaw African American Pastors, St. Joe’s Catholic Church, SVRC, Covenant HealthCare, Ascension St. Mary’s, CMU Health, Great Lakes Bay Health Centers, STARS, and the Saginaw Community Foundation. The group is adopting the name Health and Community Connected (HCC) Workgroup.

Each organization will spearhead specific functions to get COVID-19 vaccines administered, from communications, education, transportation, location, and language interpretation/translation to outreach and actual vaccination.

If approved, this initiative would be done by the end of March.

Where to reserve dose of vaccine in Saginaw County:

Adults 65 and older can reserve a dose at saginawpublichealth.org or call 211 or the Saginaw County Commission on Aging at (989) 797-6880 for help registering.

Meijer and Rite Aid are also registering adults 65+. Hospitals are vaccinating their own patients.

Critical infrastructure businesses may register at saginawpublichealth.org. One main contact should register for all employees interested in receiving the vaccine.

After registration, you will be notified by phone with instructions of where to go for your vaccine. Saginaw County vaccine providers are working together, so you may be directed to a hospital, partner clinic, or Saginaw County Health Department drive-thru clinic.

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