

- **1/7/21 Vaccine Distribution**

Dear Residential Child Care Program Professionals Licensee

I'm certain that you have seen, read or heard about Governor Hogan's recent update yesterday. Attached are the links to the most recent Governor's and MDH Secretary's Orders. All licensed, certified and registered health care providers are in Phase 1A of the vaccination distribution, which is what the state of Maryland is in now. The Health Occupations Boards provided data to the Department's COVID - 19 Task Force reflecting the number of active licensees for each Board by jurisdiction, county/Baltimore City.

The MDH Secretary is interested in this information for vaccination planning, distribution, and administration. The data will help the local health departments to prepare vaccination distribution for all licensed health care providers in Maryland.

You are encouraged to contact your local health department for more information. Continue to get information from the Department at the COVID Link <https://covidlink.maryland.gov/content/>.

- **COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution**

Dear Residential Child Care Program Professionals Licensee:

At this time, Maryland is concentrating on Phase 1A of the vaccination plan, which is focused on getting the initial Federal allocation of 273,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses out to hospitals, nursing homes (residents/staff), and first responders.

The Department has been working on detailed operational plans, and expects to have more information for you over the next four to six weeks.

The Department urges you to regularly check their vaccine dashboards for more information:

<https://covidlink.maryland.gov/content/vaccine/>

<https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/#Vaccine>.

Also, please check with your local county/city health departments where you reside and/or work for more information about the vaccine distribution plans they have in those areas.

Please do not contact the Board for more information on the vaccine, as staff does not handle this operation.

- **Draft Vaccination Plan**

Licensees should contact their local health departments. The LHDs will be coordinating with the vaccination sites and may have more information on how the training and supervision process is supposed to work for licensees who do not have vaccination in their scope of practice. Here is the link to the draft plan https://phpa.health.maryland.gov/Documents/10.19.2020_Maryland_COVID-19_Vaccination_Plan_CDCwm.pdf

Continue to follow the CDC guidelines, Executive Orders and MDH Directives for safe practice. Your safety and the safety of all Marylanders remain a priority for the Board during this unprecedented and challenging time.

Best wishes,

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