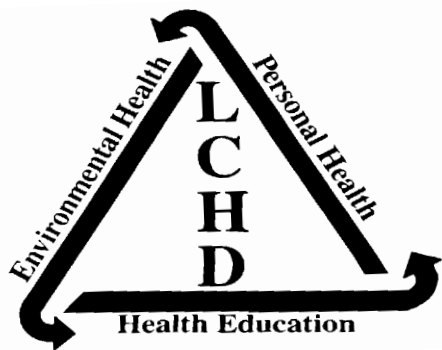


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“Important Reminders About Phase 1B Vaccine Notification Sign-Up and Scheduling COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments”

LaSalle County Health Department has had an amazing response to our Phase 1B notification sign-up. There have been over 15,000 individuals in Phase 1B who have registered to receive vaccination notifications. Anyone who signed up to receive COVID-19 vaccination notifications, **please be patient**. The Health Department is only receiving a small amount of vaccine into the county at this time. Therefore, we can only schedule clinics for the amount of vaccine we receive.

Due to the large volume, the emails containing instructions on how to register for an appointment at a COVID-19 vaccination clinic must be sent out in batches, and will be sent out in the order in which they were received. We can only send out emails for appointments based on the number of vaccines we have available. **This means not everyone has received an email yet.**

Important Things to Remember:

- If you registered for the notification form and received a confirmation email, we have your information.
- **DO NOT CALL** the LaSalle County Health Department to schedule your vaccine appointment or to ask when you will receive an email with details on how to register for COVID-19 vaccination appointments.
- LaSalle County Health Department intends to hold weekly COVID-19 vaccination clinics. Clinics are designed to use our allotment of weekly vaccines into the county until our vaccine supply increases.
- Keep checking your email, additional clinics will continue to be added in the coming weeks.
- Check your spam and junk folders.

If you are eligible under Phase1B, and have not signed up for the COVID-19 Vaccination Notification form, please visit the LaSalle County website at www.lasallecounty.org. Click on the red COVID-19 Vaccine Information icon and complete the notification form. **Only individuals working or living in LaSalle County may receive vaccine through LaSalle County.** The LCHD will include you as a potential recipient of vaccine in LaSalle County. **THIS DOES NOT SCHEDULE YOUR VACCINATION APPOINTMENT.** This allows us to contact you through email with details as to how to register as COVID-19 vaccination appointments become available. Link to Notification Form - <https://hipaa.jotform.com/203514554490049>

LaSalle County has moved into Phase 1B for COVID-19 Vaccinations. Yesterday, the LaSalle County Health Department held their first COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic for individuals 65 years and older. There were 710 vaccinations given at the clinic. This clinic, which was held at Illinois Valley Community College (IVCC) was scheduled **by appointment only** to maintain safety and social distancing requirements.

The LaSalle County Health Department will be diligent in updating the public regarding the COVID-19 vaccination plan for the county. Please watch for more information from the LaSalle County Health Department through our website: www.lasallecounty.org, social media pages, and with our local media partners. # # #



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