MEMO

To: Cedar County Residents

From: Cedar County Public Health Director, Jamie Walker

Re: Phase 1b COVID-19 Vaccine Administration Plans for Cedar County

February 8, 2021

The Cedar County Public Health (CCPH) Department’s phase 1b vaccination plan is based off receiving 400 weekly doses of the Moderna, COVID-19 vaccine. This is an increase from our initial weekly allotment of 100 doses. I will update the community on a weekly basis if there are any changes to our process.

We have established four community partnerships to assist with the administration of the vaccine to our residents who qualify for phase 1b. We are all operating off a vaccine shortage order which means there is not enough vaccine to meet the demand. There are thousands of individuals who currently qualify and not everyone in the current phase will receive their vaccine right away. We continue to ask for your patience and grace as we move forward. I am asking that you do not call our community partners to try to obtain an appointment. We are thankful for their partnership and want to allow them time to work through fine tuning their system. All four partners are working on serving the eligible age population of those 65 and older in the county.

Our four partners and their current scheduling process is as follows:

1. **Wal-Mart Pharmacy** – They are contacting individuals, age 65 and older, in Cedar County by using a list provided to them by CCPH.
2. **Tipton Pharmacy** - They are contacting individuals, age 65 and older, in Cedar County by using a list provided to them by CCPH.
3. **Mercy Family Services (Tipton and West Branch)** – They are calling eligible patients to schedule appointments.
4. **UnityPoint Clinic (Tipton and Clarence)** – They are calling eligible patients to schedule appointments.
5. **Cedar County Public Health** – We will be focusing on the essential workforce targeted populations. We are working to move toward an on-line scheduling platform and will let the community know when this change occurs.

This process is going to take several months to vaccinate everyone who wants one. Thank you for your patience and grace with our team here at Cedar County Public Health.

Sincerely,
Jamie Walker
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