COVID Vaccination and Tennessee Ryan White Clients

Background

The Tennessee Department of Health, and the metro health departments of Nashville/Davidson, Memphis/Shelby, Knoxville/Knox, Jackson/Madison, Chattanooga/Hamilton, and Johnson City/Sullivan have opened up COVID vaccinations to all individuals 16 years and older.

It is highly encouraged for all Ryan White clients to sign-up and receive their COVID vaccine as soon as possible.

Scheduling your COVID Vaccination Appointment

- Walk-ups are Accepted Daily at State Health Departments
- Via your county health department at: COVID19.tn.gov
 - o Provides phone numbers and the ability to request a vaccine appointment online
- <u>Via Vaccine Finder</u> (https://vaccinefinder.org/search/), which allows persons to enter their zip code and find nearby government, private health providers, and pharmacies (Kroger, Walmart, Publix, and local pharmacies) that are providing the COVID vaccine
 - o The website provides phone numbers and websites for setting-up an appointment
- COVID Vaccine Appointment Phone Number for Rural Area Appointments 866-442-5301
 - o A person can speak with another person to schedule a COVID vaccine appointment
 - This is for scheduling appointments for the COVID vaccines at rural county health departments only.
- Please check with your Case Manager, as there are Ryan White providers that are providing the COVID vaccine:
 - Neighborhood Health- 615-953-0050, https://www.neighborhoodhealthtn.org/
 - Christ Community- Patients can text VACCINE to 91999 to schedule a vaccine appointment

Other Information

- When signing-up for a COVID vaccine appointment you should not be asked or requested to provide more information about your immunocompromised condition.
- Additionally, you do not need a note from your health care provider proving that you are in a high-risk population in order to receive your COVID vaccine.
 - Please see the Department of Health's COVID vaccine frequently asked questions for more information: https://covid19.tn.gov/covid-19-vaccines/

Resources:

- Tennessee Department of Health Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) regarding COVID-19:
 - https://covid19.tn.gov/
- o Tennessee Department of Health COVID-19 Vaccine Information Dashboard
 - o https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/ncov/covid-19-vaccine.html
- o Tennessee Department of Health Hotline for COVID-19 Information
 - o 877-857-2945
- o Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID Vaccine Information
 - o https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/index.html