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UPDATE ON COVID-19 MASS VACCINATION EFFORTS AT DCH

Tuscaloosa County, Alabama – City of Tuscaloosa, Tuscaloosa County, City of Northport, Tuscaloosa County Emergency Management, Mercedes-Benz U.S. International and Alabama Fire College are partnering together to assist DCH with logistical support in ramping up their vaccine clinic to vaccinate 1,000 people per day.

The Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) listed Tuscaloosa as one of eight sites to host a large-scale mass vaccination clinic, with the goal of each site vaccinating 5,000 people between February 8-12. As determined by ADPH, individuals 65 and older and those in phase 1a and 1b are eligible to receive the vaccine.

While all appointment times for the mass vaccination are already filled, additional appointment times are added regularly. Vaccine appointment times will be added to www.dchsystem.com/covidvaccine/ as more supply becomes available. For additional information on eligibility, please visit

Alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/index.html

"This effort has truly been a community approach and I applaud DCH for expanding their capacity and taking on this critical task," said Probate Judge Rob Robertson. "We have a long way to go to get the vaccine in the arms of everyone who wants one, but this is a step in the right direction."

"The City is proud to participate in this multi-agency partnership to increase vaccination availability in our community," Tuscaloosa Mayor Walt Maddox says. "Getting the vaccine out to those in need is one of the most important things that we can do right now, and it's encouraging to see our community step up to the challenge."

In addition to the large-scale vaccination clinic, eligible persons can schedule appointments with the following vaccine providers:

- ADPH Visit <u>Alcovidvaccine.gov/</u> for more information and to schedule an appointment.
- University of Alabama (UA) individuals affiliated with UA should visit Healthinfo.ua.edu/vaccine/ for more information.
- Maude Whatley Health Services Maude Whatley has begun administering the vaccine to eligible persons. For more information, please call 205-758-6647.
- VA Medical Center Eligible veterans 65 and older can schedule appointments by calling 205-554-2010.
- Just Announced: Walmart & Sam's Club stores will soon begin administering vaccines at several locations across the state. To view the entire list of locations, visit Alabamapublichealth.gov/covid19vaccine/assets/al-sams-walmart-vax-locations.pdf. Appointments can be made at Walmart.com/COVIDvaccine & Samsclub.com/covid.

For up-to-date information on vaccine options, please visit TuscVax.com

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