

Life Sciences PA COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Resource Page

Life Sciences PA Members continue to lead the way in developing diagnostics, therapeutics, and vaccines to fight this global pandemic. It is understood that without a safe and effective vaccine it will be difficult, perhaps impossible, for our Members to return to normal operating procedures. Thankfully, scientists and researchers have been working tirelessly to produce a vaccine, and while much of that work continues in the clinical trial process, we were proud to see [Pfizer receive an Emergency Use Authorization \(EUA\) from the Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\)](#) for its vaccine December 11.

With several vaccines close to receiving an EUA, the next step is to determine how the vaccines will be distributed and how that will affect or apply to our Members. This effort will largely be determined by individual states, however the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) did release its [recommendation](#) that health care personnel and resident of long-term care facilities receive the COVID-19 vaccine in the initial phase of distribution.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's Department of Health (PA DOH) released the latest [Interim Vaccination Plan](#) January 8. This plan, though subject to change as these processes remain fluid, explains the process by which the vaccine will be distributed, its storage and handling, the critical populations that should receive the vaccine in the early phases of availability, and how communities should interact with the PA DOH during this process.

Additional resources are provided below.

If you have any questions about this process, please contact Jen Young (jyoung@lifesciencespa.org) or Kurt Imhof (kimhof@lifesciencespa.org) on our Policy and Public Affairs team.

Pennsylvania Department of Health

- [Vaccine Toolkit](#)
- [Emergency Use Authorization Fact Sheet for COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Resource Page and FAQ](#)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

- [Vaccine FAQ](#)
- [Vaccination Information for You and Your Family](#)
- [COVID-19 Resource Page](#)