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Health Department Beginning some Phase 2 Vaccinations Today in Conjunction with the Ongoing Phase 1

Topeka, Kan. – The Shawnee County Health Department (SCHD), in following the guidance provided by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, has begun administering vaccine to those individuals listed in Phase 2 of the Kansas' vaccination prioritization plan today. Vaccination clinics scheduled for today and tomorrow are focused on first responders and law enforcement personnel as outlined in Phase 2, as well as those health care associated workers from Phase 1 that have not yet received a vaccine.

Individuals or organizations that fit the outlined Phase 2 criteria, and who are interested in receiving a COVID-19 vaccine as part of Phase 2 are encouraged to complete the following survey: <u>https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6149227/Shawnee-County-Health-Department-COVID-19-Vaccine-Interest-Form</u>.

Individuals that are unable to complete the survey online may call the COVID Hotline at 785.251.4949 for assistance in completing the survey.

Locally, the Shawnee County Vaccination Collaborative's speed and progress is based on the number of doses we receive from the State of Kansas, and subsequently what the State receives from the Federal Government.

To ensure we are exceeding the transparency needed for these operations, additional details for vaccination timeframes and scheduling will be communicated to those organizations and individuals that have completed the survey as additional vaccine doses become available.

Questions about COVID-19 vaccine can be directed to CovidVaccine@snco.us.

Additional COVID-19 Resources:

Shawnee County Health Department: <u>https://www.snco.us/HD/coronavirus.asp</u> Kansas Department of Health and Environment: <u>https://www.coronavirus.kdheks.gov/</u> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: <u>https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html</u>

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