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Health Department Addresses Questions Surrounding Johnson & Johnson Vaccine

Plattsburgh, March 17, 2021. The Clinton County Health Department (CCHD) has received numerous calls from community members looking for information regarding the availability of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine in Clinton County.

“We have not received any doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine,” stated John Kanoza, Director of Public Health in Clinton County. “We have also not received any indication from the state as to when it may become available to us. Other entities in our area may have limited supply of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, but CCHD does not.”

CCHD has commented previously that we are prepared to distribute any vaccine allocated to us by the state, regardless of the type. “That remains true,” added Mr. Kanoza. “We will continue to vaccinate utilizing Moderna vaccine, which is what we have right now. We will communicate with the public if, at any time, we are given any other type of vaccine and how we will be distributing it.”

Eligible residents can register for appointments through CCHD, local healthcare providers, local pharmacies, and the NYS vaccination site. Those sites currently utilize the Pfizer or Moderna Vaccines.

“We urge the public not to wait for a specific vaccine. If you are eligible get vaccinated,” advised Mr. Kanoza. “We do not have a schedule for when Johnson & Johnson will be available, it could be quite some time before we see it. We just don’t know. Get vaccinated at one of the clinics open right now with what is available.”

To learn more about vaccination in Clinton County, visit www.clintonhealth.org/covid19vaccine.

About the Clinton County Health Department:

The Health Department is an accredited full service department serving the residents of Clinton County. The Health Department’s Mission is to improve and protect the health, well-being and environment of the people of Clinton County. Visit our website at www.clintonhealth.org or connect with us on Facebook (@clintonhealth), Twitter (@ClintonCountyHD), and Instagram (clintoncountyhealth).

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