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Dear Family Members,

Samaritan's Long Term Care facilities, Samaritan Summit Village and Samaritan Keep Home, have been working in collaboration with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to deploy a vaccination program for the new COVID-19 vaccine. The program, administered by Walgreens, will vaccinate any residents and staff in our nursing homes who wish to receive it. We do not yet have a date; but communications with Walgreens suggest it will begin in the coming weeks. Therefore, we are sending out this information to families so you can assist your loved ones in making an informed decision.

Included are materials regarding the COVID-19 vaccine and a copy of the consent form to be completed by the resident. If the resident does not have the capacity to complete this form, their healthcare proxy should complete it for them. We will begin discussions with our residents and staff this week and collect all consent forms in the coming weeks.

If there are any questions or concerns about this vaccine or the decision, we ask that you reach out to our leadership team at the following numbers or be sure to gather information from the World Health Organization (WHO) and CDC websites.

**Samaritan Summit Village:**

- Kathy Zeltmann, DON: 315-782-7004 (Primary Contact)
- Mike Smith, ADON/ICP: 315-782-7178 (Secondary Contact)

**Samaritan Keep Home:**

- Kathie Rivers, RN: 315-785-4410 (Primary Contact)
- Donna MacPherson, RN: 315-785-4429 (Secondary Contact)

Stay Safe,



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Enc.: Vaccination program for the new COVID-19 vaccine forms and information

# COVID-19 Vaccine What to Expect



## Your trusted immunizer

Our patients have given us a consistently high satisfaction rating for our expertise, courtesy and friendliness throughout the Walgreens vaccination experience.<sup>1</sup> Since 2010, we've administered 60 million immunizations. And today, we continue to pave the way for pharmacy immunization services and more — rest assured, you're in great hands.

### Keeping you healthy, safely

With Walgreens, your safety always comes first. We're thoroughly following the CDC recommendation for social distancing and PPE. Here's what you can expect to do when getting your vaccine:

- View vaccine safety information
- Complete applicable paperwork
- Participate in eligibility screening
- Receive your vaccination
- Take part in a 15-minute safety observation following your vaccination

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# Personalized care for the best experience



## Going the extra mile to get you the best possible care

We're extensively training over 75,000+ seasoned pharmacists and technicians to become COVID-19 specialists. With their specialized COVID-19 expertise combined with 10+ years of immunization experience, they are able to provide the highest quality care to you and your loved ones.



## Working together with your facility to accommodate your needs

Our close relationship with your facility allows us to understand and tailor our care to your specific needs. We'll stay connected with staff on your schedule and any special accommodations to help you easily — and safely — get what you need.

## Your questions answered

Walgreens is gathering the latest insights about COVID-19 vaccine safety and effectiveness, and common questions from our patients, all in one place.

Stay up-to-date at [walgreens.com/covidvaccine](https://www.walgreens.com/covidvaccine).

Reference

1. Walgreens Customer Experience Tracking Study

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Please complete Sections A, B, C for all immunizations prior to the clinic date.

**Medical/Pharmacy insurance (Section D)**, located on back of this form, must be completed if the "Off-site Clinic Billing Group" (box to the right) is blank, or as directed by your employer.

OFF-SITE CLINIC BILLING GROUP:

Store number:  
Store address:  
  
Rx number: \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION A Please print clearly.

First name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Walgreens will send vaccination information from this visit to your doctor/primary care provider using the contact information provided below.

Doctor/primary care provider name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP code: \_\_\_\_\_

I want to receive the following vaccination(s): \_\_\_\_\_

SECTION B The following questions will help us determine your eligibility to be vaccinated today.

All vaccines		
1. Do you feel sick today?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
2. Do you have any health conditions, such as heart disease, diabetes or asthma? If yes, please list: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
3. Do you have allergies to latex, medications, food or vaccines (examples: eggs, bovine protein, gelatin, gentamicin, polymyxin, neomycin, phenol, yeast or thimerosal)? If yes, please list: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
4. Have you ever had a reaction after receiving a vaccination, including fainting or feeling dizzy?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
5. Have you ever had a seizure disorder for which you are on seizure medication(s), a brain disorder, Guillain-Barré syndrome (a condition that causes paralysis) or other nervous system problem?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
6. <b>For women:</b> Are you pregnant or considering becoming pregnant in the next month?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
<b>For chickenpox, MMR® II, shingles, yellow fever only:</b> Only answer these questions if you are receiving any vaccinations listed above.		
7. Have you received any vaccinations or skin tests in the past four to eight weeks? If yes, please list: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
8. Do you have a condition that may weaken your immune system (e.g., cancer, leukemia, lymphoma, HIV/AIDS, transplant)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
9. Are you currently on home infusions, weekly injections such as Humira® (adalimumab), Remicade® (infliximab) or Enbrel® (etanercept), high-dose methotrexate, azathioprine or 6-mercaptopurine, antivirals, anticancer drugs or radiation treatments?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
10. Are you currently taking high-dose steroid therapy (prednisone > 20mg/day or equivalent) for longer than 2 weeks?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
11. Have you received a transfusion of blood or blood products or been given a medication called immune (gamma) globulin in the past year?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
12. Do you have a history of thymus disease (including myasthenia gravis, DiGeorge syndrome or thymoma), or had your thymus removed? (yellow fever only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know
13. Do you have a history of thrombocytopenia or thrombocytopenia purpura? (MMR® II only)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know

SECTION C

I certify that I am: (a) the patient and at least 18 years of age; (b) the parent or legal guardian of the minor patient; or (c) the legal guardian of the patient. Further, I hereby give my consent to Walgreens or Duane Reade and the licensed healthcare professional administering the vaccine, as applicable (each an "applicable Provider"), to administer the vaccine(s) I have requested above. I understand that it is not possible to predict all possible side effects or complications associated with receiving vaccine(s). I understand the risks and benefits associated with the above vaccine(s) and have received, read and/or had explained to me the Vaccine Information Statements on the vaccine(s) I have elected to receive. I also acknowledge that I have had a chance to ask questions and that such questions were answered to my satisfaction. Further, I acknowledge that I have been advised to remain near the vaccination location for observation for approximately 15 minutes after administration. On behalf of myself, my heirs and personal representatives, I hereby release and hold harmless each applicable Provider, its staff, agents, successors, divisions, affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, contractors and employees from any and all liabilities or claims whether known or unknown arising out of, in connection with, or in any way related to the administration of the vaccine(s) listed above. I acknowledge that: (a) I understand the purposes/benefits of my state's vaccination registry ("State Registry") and my state's health information exchange ("State HIE"); and (b) the applicable Provider may disclose my vaccination information to the State Registry, to the State HIE, or through the State HIE to the State Registry, for purposes of public health reporting, or to my healthcare providers enrolled in the State Registry and/or State HIE for purposes of care coordination. I acknowledge that, depending upon my state's law, I may prevent, by using a state-approved opt-out form or, as permitted by my state law, an opt-out form ("Opt-Out Form") furnished by the applicable Provider: (a) the disclosure of my vaccination information by the applicable Provider to the State HIE and/or State Registry; or (b) the State HIE and/or State Registry from sharing my vaccination information with any of my other healthcare providers enrolled in the State Registry and/or State HIE. The applicable Provider will, if my state permits, provide me with an Opt-Out Form. I understand that, depending on my state's law, I may need to specifically consent, and, to the extent required by my state's law, by signing below, I hereby do consent to the applicable Provider reporting my vaccination information to the State HIE, or through the State HIE and/or State Registry to the entities and for the purposes described in this Informed Consent form. Unless I provide the applicable Provider with a signed Opt-Out Form, I understand that my consent will remain in effect until I withdraw my permission and that I may withdraw my consent by providing a completed Opt-Out Form to the applicable Provider and/or my State HIE, as applicable. I understand that even if I do not consent or if I withdraw my consent, my state's laws may permit certain disclosures of my vaccination information to or through the State HIE as required or permitted by law. I also authorize the applicable Provider to disclose my, or my child's (or unemancipated minor for whom I am authorized to act as guardian or in loco parentis), proof of vaccination to the school where I am, or my child (or unemancipated minor for whom I am authorized to act as guardian or in loco parentis) is, a student or prospective student. I further authorize the applicable Provider to: (a) release my medical or other information, including my communicable disease (including HIV), mental health and drug/alcohol abuse information, to, or through, the State HIE to my healthcare professionals, Medicare, Medicaid, or other third-party payer as necessary to effectuate care or payment; (b) submit a claim to my insurer for the above requested items and services; and (c) request payment of authorized benefits be made on my behalf to the applicable Provider with respect to the above requested items and services. I further agree to be fully financially responsible for any cost-sharing amounts, including copays, coinsurance and deductibles, for the requested items and services, as well as for any requested items and services not covered by my insurance benefits. I understand that any payment for which I am financially responsible is due at the time of service or, if the applicable Provider invoices me after the time of service, upon receipt of such invoice.

Patient signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(Parent or guardian, if minor)

**SECTION D** **INSURANCE – PATIENT TO COMPLETE IF APPLICABLE**

Please ensure to record BOTH pharmacy AND medical insurance information since there are multiple ways immunizations can be billed at Walgreens.

	Pharmacy Card	Medical Card
Insurance Plan/Plan ID:		
Member/Recipient ID Number:		
RX BIN:		N/A
RX PCN:		N/A
Group Number:		

Are you the cardholder? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, please provide cardholders name, date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY) and relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION E** **HEALTHCARE PROVIDER ONLY**

Complete **BEFORE** vaccine administration

- I have reviewed the **Patient Information** and **Screening Questions**. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have verified that this is the **vaccine requested** by the patient. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_
- This vaccine is appropriate for this patient based on the **Age Guidelines** provided by federal and/or state regulations and company policies. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
3a. Does this patient have a high-risk medical condition? ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, please list medical condition(s): \_\_\_\_\_
- The **Vaccine NDC matches** the NDC on the bottom of this VAR form and the NDC on the patient leaflet. (Perform **3-way NDC match**.) Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have verified the **Expiration Date** is greater than today's date and have entered the **Lot # and Expiration Date** in the field below. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_

For Shingrix®, Zostavax®, MMR® II, Varivax®, YF-Vax®, Menveo®, Imovax® and RabAvert®, ensure the vaccine is reconstituted following the package insert's instructions.

Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

For vaccines that have a diluent, complete the following:

Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION F**

Complete **DURING** the patient interaction

- I have asked the patient to confirm their **Name, DOB and Requested Vaccine** and verified it matches the information on the VAR form. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have reviewed the **Screening Questions** with the patient. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_
- I have reviewed the **VIS** with the patient. Initial here: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION G**

Complete **AFTER** vaccine administration

Vaccine	NDC	Manufacturer	Dosage	Site of administration	VIS published date

Clinician's name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Clinician's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, intern name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ Administration date: \_\_\_\_\_ Date VIS given to patient: \_\_\_\_\_

**Notes**


**Reminder**

- Update the patient's record with any new allergy, health condition or primary care provider information.
- Enter vaccine lot #, expiration date and site of administration, then scan the VAR form into the patient's record.