New Same-Day Transportation Available for COVID-19 Vaccine & Testing

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Are you helping prepare your friend or loved one to get the vaccine or testing? This can be an extremely challenging time for Nevadans who are already struggling. Navigating the methods for getting the vaccine when it is available can be even more challenging. Nevada Medicaid is asking Nevadans to plan ahead by knowing how to schedule a vaccine appointment and lining up transportation.

"Ask your friends and family if they know the steps and if they need help," said Suzanne Bierman, Nevada Medicaid Administrator. "This is the time to offer help, ask for help, and give help."

Nevada Medicaid is offering Medicaid recipients a flexible same-day transportation service with a variety of options including gas mileage reimbursement, bank card funding to take the bus, and, in most instances, same-day rides from ride services.

Information is available in English and Spanish at https://www.immunizenevada.org/county-specific-covid-19-vaccine-plan under Appointment Resources or by calling 1-844-879-7341.

Here are the steps to follow to plan ahead:

- **Step one:** Check NVCovidFighter.org daily to find out when and where vaccines may be available in your county and schedule an appointment.
- **Step two:** Plan transportation. The flyer available here describes who is eligible for transportation through Medicaid and how to schedule.
- **Step three:** Get the vaccine and continue social distancing, frequent hand washing and mask-wearing.
- **Step four:** Plan transportation for the second dose of the vaccine.

It is always Open Enrollment for Nevada Medicaid. Apply at https://accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov/. Non-citizens and the uninsured can receive COVID-19 services through federally qualified health centers: https://www.nvpca.org/health-centers.

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