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Mayor Bowser and D DC Health Urge Moree DC Residents to Pre-Re egister for a Vaccina ation Appointment

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(Washington, DC) – Today, Mayor Bowser and DC Health continue encouraging all DC residents and workers to pre-register for a vaccination appointment. Since the pre-registration system launched, approximately 31,330 individuals have already

pre-registered, received an invitation, and booked an appointment. To date, approximately 191,190 individuals have pre-registered for and are awaiting an appointment. At this time, all residents and District workers who are not yet vaccinated are encouraged to pre-register, regardless of current eligibility.

This week, DC is receiving 39,690 doses of vaccine – 17,990 doses for vaccinate.dc.gov; 11,390 doses for hospitals and health centers; and 10,310 doses for special initiatives and partnerships.

This week, special initiatives include a Faith in the Vaccine clinic at Shiloh Baptist Church on Good Friday (April 2) as well as at the Southeast Tennis and Learning Center on Saturday, April 3. Eligibility for the clinic at Shiloh Baptist Church includes: DC residents 65 and older; DC residents 18-64 with a qualifying medical condition; and members of an eligible workforce. Eligible persons should conta the church for more information and to pre-register. The eligibility for the clinic the Southeast Tennis and Learning Center includes: DC residents 65 and older; residents 18-64 with a qualifying medical condition; and members of an eligible workforce who reside in Ward 8 zip codes 20020 and 20032. To pre-register for this event, call (202) 889-1425. Both clinics will offer the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

This week, essential workers in Phase 1C Tier 2 became eligible for the vaccine. This includes individuals working in non-public transit transportation services (for hire vehicles, ride share); individuals working in logistics/delivery/courier services; and essential employees working in media and mass communications. All essential workers must be working in person in Washington, DC.

Currently, eligible individuals include: DC residents 65 and older; DC residents 18-64 with a qualifying medical condition; and members of an eligible workforce. This week, DC Health expanded eligibility to include all essential workers in Phase 1B Tier 3 and Phase 1C Tier 1 who are working in person (teachers, child care workers, and school staff are eligible regardless of whether they are currently work in person). In-person workers who became eligible this week include: staff working in courts and individuals providing legal services; frontline employees of public (mass) transit; employees of the U.S. Postal Service; staff working in food service; essential employees in local government agencies; essential employees of

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public utilities; essential employees in health, human, and social services organizations/agencies who were not vaccinated as outreach workers; individuals working in commercial and residential property maintenance and environmental services; individuals working in non-public transit transportation services (i.e. for hire vehicles, ride share); individuals working in logistics/delivery/courier services; and essential employees working in media and mass communications. Learn more about who is eligible at coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine.

With the new pre-registration system, individuals can register online at any time on any day via vaccinate.dc.gov, or register by phone by calling the call center at 1-855-363-0333, Monday-Friday from 8 am to 7 pm or on Saturday and Sunday from 8 am to 4 pm. Language translation services are available through the call center. Call center staff are also able to take calls from 711, a free video relay service from the FCC that allows individuals to sign with a hearing interpreter w is then talking on the phone with a call taker.

Each week, invitations are sent:

- Thursdays by 10 am
- Sundays by 10 am.
- And, only if any appointments still need to be filled, Tuesdays by 10 am

Anyone who registers by 11:59 pm tonight and who is currently eligible for the vaccine in DC will be part of the randomized selection process tomorrow morn Once invitations go out, individuals have 48 hours to book their appointment. If an individual does not book their appointment, their name will go back in the pre-registration system (after three unanswered invitations an individual will need to register in the system again).

Eligible individuals are selected through a process that randomizes those who have pre-registered, according to the following breakdown:

- 20% go to DC residents in priority zip codes who are 65 and older
- 20% go to DC residents in any zip code who are 65 and older
- 20% go to DC residents in priority zip codes who are 18-64 with a qualifying medical condition
- 20% go to DC residents in any zip code who 18-64 with a qualifying medical

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condition
- 10% go to DC residents in priority zip codes who are members of an eligible workforce who are 18 and older
- 10% go to members of an eligible workforce who are 18 and older, regardless of home address

The current list of priority zip codes includes: 20010, 20011, 20017, 20018, 20002, 20003, 20019, 20020, 20032, 20422, 20593. Priority zip codes are determined by identifying areas where residents have been disproportionately burdened by COVID-19 and areas that are lagging in COVID-19 vaccination coverage.

Mayor Bowser's three operating principles for the pre-registration system are: 1) an equitable distribution of the vaccine; 2) a consistent scheduling cadence so residents know what to expect; and 3) a shared responsibility, across our community, to get people pre-registered.

Qualifying medical conditions include: Asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), and other Chronic Lung Disease; Bone Marrow and Solid Orga Transplantation; Cancer; Cerebrovascular Disease; Chronic Kidney Disease; Congenital Heart Disease; Diabetes Mellitus; Heart Conditions, such as Heart Failure, Coronary Artery Disease, or Cardiomyopathies; HIV; Hypertension; Immunocompromised State; Inherited Metabolic Disorders; Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities; Liver Disease; Neurologic Conditions; Obesity, BMI 30 kg/m2; Pregnancy; Severe Genetic Disorders; Sickle Cell Disease; and Thalassemia. Residents who are unsure whether they qualify for the vaccine based on a qualifying medical condition should contact their health care provider.

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At this time, individuals 18 years old and older should pre-register through vaccinate.dc.gov or the District's call center. District residents who are 16 or 17 years of age and have a qualifying medical condition and are not an existing patient of Children's National Hospital or HSC, can pre-register for a vaccination at Children's National Hospital by following the link posted on coronavirus.dc.gov/vaccine.

DC still needs more vaccine, and we will continue to advocate for additional doses so that we can save lives and meet the demand of our community.

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