

Provider & Stakeholder Questions and Answers (Q&A)

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Topic	Question	Response
<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	What is your current inventory of vaccinations?	The inventory does vary each week. Tuesdays are the days currently scheduled by DOH Behavioral Health Administration at the Windward clinic for first doses. For example, tomorrow we plan on doing about 1,100 first doses for the Developmental Disabilities Division (DDD) population, service providers, kupuna (seniors) and essential workers. Wednesdays are the days that will be scheduled for second doses. For this week, we have approximately 1,000 second doses planned for Wednesday. We are tentatively looking at Thursdays and Fridays to be our mobile vaccination days. We have anywhere between 250-500 doses we are able to utilize each week for mobile vaccination purposes.
<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	How do organizations that are essential workers register if your organization has already submitted the survey but has not received a response yet?	That is a great question. We thank everyone for your patience as we try to get through each of the different priority groups. Please reach out to Project Vision for the DOH Behavioral Health Administration POD and we will be happy to check on the status.
<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	In general, how young can a child be to receive the vaccine in later phases? This question has to do with pediatric patients, i.e. younger than 16 years. Also, can someone receive the vaccine if they are pregnant?	<p>Children are not eligible for vaccines at this time until further research. The Pfizer vaccine is for 16 and older. The Moderna vaccine is for 18 and older.</p> <p>Anyone who is pregnant, we would like to screen you first and would encourage you to check with your PCP.</p> <p>Please refer to the practice advisory from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) for individuals that are pregnant or breastfeeding.</p>

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<p><i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i></p>	<p>Can someone who is high risk and 72 years old get the shot now, or do they have to wait?</p>	<p>At this time, adults 75 years and older are eligible to register for vaccination. Frontline essential workers are also receiving vaccinations coordinated through their employer or industry organization. Organizations with frontline essential workers in Phase 1B may complete an online survey. The Department of Health is working in tandem with local, state, and federal government agencies as well as hospitals, pharmacies, federally qualified health centers, and other healthcare providers to safely and quickly administer the vaccine. For updates, please visit https://hawaiiicovid19.com/vaccine/.</p>
<p><i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i></p>	<p>What happens if someone cannot receive their 2nd dose within +/- 4 days window of the 28th day? Does it invalidate the 1st dose and they have to start over? Or are you then ineligible for the 2nd dose?</p>	<p>If you are unable to make your 2nd dose appointment, it would be best to reschedule your 1st dose so that you can fit the 2nd dose within the suggested time period.</p>
<p><i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i></p>	<p>Will Project Vision also offer vaccinations on the Neighbor Islands?</p>	<p>Project Vision is primarily assisting on the island of Oahu. On the neighbor islands, vaccinations will need to be coordinated through the District Health Offices.</p>
<p><i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i></p>	<p>For individuals that are in housing and in group homes – many of them are high risk because of dual diagnosis or similar concerns – how soon do we anticipate they will be eligible to sign up for vaccines? Also, I know Project Vision works in Hilo on Hawaii Island, but what about for programs in West Hawaii. Who should we be working with on the Kona side?</p>	<p>Please check the Department of Health website at https://hawaiiicovid19.com/vaccine for updates on populations eligible to receive vaccinations in the current priority tier.</p> <p>For information about vaccinations in West Hawaii, please check with the Hawaii Island District Health office in Kona at (808) 322-4880. In addition, Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) will be key partners in vaccine distribution.</p>
<p><i>Project Vision - Vaccinations</i></p>	<p>I do alternative health with herbal supplements, and my PCP doesn't want to help me because I'm healthy. You said I should go to my PCP, but they told me to go through urgent care. What should I do if I want a shot?</p>	<p>Project Vision's suggestion is to consult with your PCP if you are concerned you may have a negative reaction to the vaccine or to determine if you are eligible. If you have not had issues with anaphylactics, if you haven't had any other vaccinations in 14 days, and if you are not currently in isolation, you can still sign up and register and take the eligibility survey with the Department of Health and get on their wait list. You are not required to have clearance from your PCP, but it is suggested you consult with them if you have questions.</p>

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<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	Are there any supports regarding folks who are not internet and/or English literate?	For those who need to register over the phone, please call your insurance provider or call the DOH Immunization Branch at (808) 586-8332 or (813) 711-0645.
<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	My staff has a Hx of reaction to vaccine and other health issues and was refused vaccine. She works in close contact to the vulnerable population. What should we do? What are her alternatives?	For someone with a history of reactions, it would be best for them to be vaccinated in a hospital setting if their doctor clears this.
<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	We have staff members on the Kona side that are interested in vaccination. Please send info on who we should contact.	For individuals in Kona, please send an e-mail to Brandee Menino at bmenino@hopeserviceshawaii.org . She will connect you with the island's district health office representative for vaccinations.
<i>Project Vision – Vaccinations</i>	Thank you for sharing these details. Are there plans for vaccinating our island prison and jail populations?	To view Hawaii's vaccination plan, please visit https://hawaiiicovid19.com/vaccine/#hi-vaccination-plan for more information.
<i>CoC Updates – Partners in Care</i>	For the grant writing workshop, do you need to be a Partners in Care (PIC) member?	No, you do not have to be a PIC member. Anyone is welcome, and these workshops will be offered through webinars and will be provided by Valerie Nash who is well-versed in what is going on here in Hawaii. We will be sending out an invitation through our list serve. Please contact PIC for more information, or visit their website at https://partnersincareoahu.org .
<i>CoC Updates – Partners in Care</i>	Will Transition Aged Youth (TAY) be able to qualify for the Oahu Housing Now Rapid Re-Housing program? Or does the client have to be an individual or a family?	No, the program should also be available for TAY. We are also increasing housing options for youth through our Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program (YHDP) . Access to the OHN program will be based on the person's prioritization on the Coordinated Entry System By Name List.