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Ford County Receives 1100 Pfizer Vaccines

Paxton- Ford County is in Phase 1B, meaning those in critical workforces and 65 and older are eligible. This week, Ford County will receive and administer 1100 Pfizer doses. These doses will all be administered at Gibson Area Hospital. These are by appointment only.

If a resident called to place their name on the list, they do not need to go online and register. FCPHD prefers residents to register for the vaccine online through the health department's website. Under the *COVID-19* tab, Ford county residents can submit their information for the waiting list. Residents will receive a call from the health department when a vaccine is available.

In addition to local health departments, chain pharmacies are also able to administer the COVID-19 vaccine. By visiting the IDPH website, residents can find vaccine locations by typing in their zip code and find pharmacies within 60 miles. These vaccinations are by appointment only and documentation is required to show you are eligible for the vaccine as part of a priority group. To receive a vaccine from the Ford County Health Department, you must reside or be employed in Ford county, whereas there are no restrictions regarding residency to receive a vaccine from a pharmacy. New sites and pharmacies are being added daily; therefore, it is important to check back regularly for available appointments.

Please continue to follow FCPHD's social media pages, website, and local radio stations for the most current information. FCPHD wants to thank Ford County residents for their patience and understanding as we work diligently to vaccinate the public in the most efficient and effective manner.