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## **HUMBOLDT COUNTY ANNOUNCES SENIOR, WORKFORCE VACCINE DISTRIBUTION**

WINNEMUCCA, Nev—Local health officials are hoping to vaccinate up to 1,400 Humboldt County seniors and frontline workers March 8-9 during a COVID-19 vaccination event at the Winnemucca Events Complex.

The drive-through POD (point of distribution) is being organized by Humboldt County Community Health Nurse Marsha Foreman, RN, and Humboldt County Emergency Manager Captain Sean Wilkin.

Together the two, along with a small army of healthcare, law enforcement and community workers, hope to provide the first dose of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to 1,400 Humboldt County residents over the course of the two-day event.

Distribution times are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, March 8, and 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 9.

Approximately 40 persons will be vaccinated every 15 minutes. All participants must register online and indicate their eligibility to participate; proof of eligibility in the form of personal or workplace identification will also be required at the event.

Eligible Humboldt County residents include:

- Seniors age 65 and older
- Public safety and security staff
- Education (Pre-K and K-12)
- Childcare, day care, preschool workers
- Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE) frontline educators, staff and students
- Community frontline workers who support food, shelter, court/legal and social services, and other necessities of life for needy groups and individuals
- Essential public transportation
- Remaining essential public health workforce
- Mortuary services
- Agriculture and food processing
- Supply chain including manufacturing, distribution and sale of essential items
- Utilities and communications infrastructure
- Nevada Department of Transportation and local emergency road personnel

- Frontline airport operations
- Other essential transportation
- Food service and hospitality workers
- Hygiene products and services
- Depository credit institution workforce
- Infrastructure, shelter and housing, including construction and realtors
- Essential mining operations
- Community support administrative staff
- NSHE students living in campus-sponsored residential settings (e.g. dorms)
- NSHE remaining workforce

Participants should arrive for their scheduled appointment on time with two things in hand: a paper or electronic copy of their appointment “ticket,” which they will receive after scheduling their appointment, and a completed copy of a one-page patient consent form.

That form is available for download [here](#); paper copies are also available at Humboldt Printers, the Humboldt County Community Health Nurse (outside receptacle), the Humboldt County Courthouse (Sheriff’s Office lobby) and the Pleasant Senior Center.

Those who participate in the March 8-9 POD should plan to return to the Winnemucca Events Center April 5-6 for the second dose of the vaccine. Those who have an existing appointment for the first or second dose of the COVID-19 vaccine should NOT participate in this distribution.

March 8-9, following administration of the first dose of the vaccine, participants will be asked to park and wait for 15 minutes so officials can monitor for any adverse reactions.

Women who are pregnant or breastfeeding and persons who have shellfish/iodine or other food/anaphylactic allergies should check with their physician before receiving the vaccination.

Additionally, persons with COVID-like symptoms, or who are in quarantine, who are currently awaiting COVID-19 test results or who have had any other vaccinations in the past 14 days should not attend.

To schedule an appointment for the Monday, March 8, and Tuesday, March 9, vaccine distribution at the Winnemucca Events Center, please visit <https://humboldt看vaccinationpod.eventbrite.com> and follow the prompts to register; participants should print out the confirmation “ticket” at the end, or save an electronic copy to their device.

Residents can email [vaccine@humboldtcountynv.gov](mailto:vaccine@humboldtcountynv.gov) to ask questions or to resolve any registration issues.

Humboldt County has also established a COVID-19 vaccine recorded information line in both English and Spanish. Residents are encouraged to call (775) 375-3200 to hear the latest about vaccine allocations, local distribution opportunities and changes as they occur. The line is updated with new information every Monday and Thursday (not including holidays), or as needed.

Any new vaccine opportunities are also announced on the Humboldt County, Nevada, Facebook page @HumboldtCountyNV.