## FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN ESCAMBIA COUNTY HIGHLIGHTS RECENT EFFORTS IN PROVIDING COVID-19 VACCINE



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**Pensacola, Fla.** — The Florida Department of Health in Escambia County (FDOH-Escambia) continues to work with community partners on vaccination efforts in Escambia County. In an effort to keep Florida residents and visitors safe and aware regarding the status of the virus, FDOH-Escambia will continue to issue this update every week.

County health departments have an important role to play in administering vaccine. Here's a summary of last week's vaccination activities.

- During the week of Jan. 25, 2021 Jan. 31, 2021, FDOH-Escambia administered a total of 824 COVID-19 vaccines. In addition to daily clinic appointments, FDOH-Escambia held a POD event on Thursday, Jan. 28, 2021 that targeted persons 65 years of age and older. FDOH-Escambia also held 4 onsite vaccination events on Friday, Jan. 29 and Saturday, Jan. 30, 2021 to administer second dose vaccines at older adult independent living facilities.
- FDOH-Escambia participated in the DEM POD event on Sunday, Jan. 31, 2021 that targeted persons 65 years of age and older in underserved communities where 568 second dose vaccines were administered.
- FDOH-Escambia distributed approximately 2,000 doses of vaccine through community partners.
- <u>FDOH-Escambia announced this week's COVID-19 vaccine distribution plan</u> and continues to work with community partners, including Ascension Sacred Heart, Baptist Health Care, Community Health Northwest Florida, West Florida Hospital, Escambia County Emergency Management, Escambia County Medical Society, older adult independent living facilities, and local faith-based organizations to administer vaccines to priority groups.

The State has launched a state-wide pre-registration for vaccines available at <u>myvaccine.fl.gov</u>. Those currently eligible for the vaccine may also call 866-201-1025 or TTY 833-476-1461. The State has established a help line at 833-959-0217 for those who need to make changes to their original pre-registration. Please know while this pre-registration option is ready and available now, FDOH-Escambia is not yet utilizing this service for COVID-19 vaccine appointments. We will release more information as a start date is finalized.

FDOH-Escambia continues to fight to protect health and safety as the rollout of COVID-19 vaccine continues. For the total vaccine administration efforts across Florida, visit the dedicated Florida Department of Health <u>COVID-19 webpage</u> for the detailed vaccine report.

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