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Covid-19 Vaccine Information Sheet

Brothers and Sisters,

In the coming months, COVID-19 vaccines will begin to become available to our members as frontline employees. To ensure our members are aware of important vaccine information, we have included the below links to the CDC's COVID-19 vaccine pages. The TWU 555 encourages you to check with your physician and to make an informed decision about the available vaccines. Two vaccines, one produced by Pfizer and BioNTech and another by Moderna, have already received emergency use authorization from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. A Phase 3 clinical trial for the Johnson & Johnson vaccine has completed enrollment, and another vaccine candidate from AstraZeneca and Oxford University is expected to follow a few weeks later.

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19>

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/pfizer>

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/moderna>

The estimated timeline for vaccine distribution will vary state by state in addition to the definition of and who is included in the phases of "frontline worker" groups, however the chart below gives the best estimate for nationwide distribution. The information is rapidly changing so we encourage you to check the CDC's websites often in addition to any official information provided by your state of residence.

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TWU Local 555 Safety and Health Committee

Estimated COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution schedule.

DATE RANGE	DISTRIBUTION
Dec. 11	Pfizer's application for Emergency Use Authorization approved by the FDA.
Week of Dec. 14	Pfizer's vaccine is shipped to states across the US, with 2.9 million doses initially sent out to vaccinate healthcare workers and nursing home residents.
Dec 18	Moderna's application for Emergency Use authorization approved by the FDA.
Week of Dec. 21	7.9 million doses of Pfizer and Moderna vaccines shipped to states.
Mid Dec. 2020 – Jan. 2021	Authorized vaccines injected into 3 priority groups: healthcare workers, frontline workers, and people over 75. Roughly 50 million people across the US are expected to receive injections by February.
Feb 2021	50 million more in the priority groups get vaccinated. As more shots become available, priority groups expand to include people over 65, and those with preexisting conditions
Mar. – Apr. 2021	Vaccine distribution to priority groups continues.
May – Jun. 2021	Vaccines become more widely available to young, healthy members of the general public.
Jul. – Sep. 2021	Most adults in the US who want a vaccine likely have access at this point. But remember, many coronavirus vaccines require 2 shots to become fully effective. The vaccination process can take 3–4 weeks per person.
Oct. – Dec. 2021	Herd immunity through vaccination could be reached in the US, if 75% of people (or more) get their shots.

Source: Business Insider

Sources: CDC, USA TODAY, Business Insider