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**COVID-19 VACCINATION WEBSITES AND PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE
WEB PAGE**

Dear Administrator / Provider / Superintendent:

Recently the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced updates to several COVID-19 vaccination websites and introduced the new Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine web page. The following may be useful information related to the COVID-19 vaccine:

- The [COVID-19 vaccination website for healthcare professionals](#) has been recently updated to direct healthcare professionals to clinical information including Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations, storage and handling information, and vaccination provider requirements and support.
- The new [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine webpage](#) has information specific to Pfizer's vaccine, including resources to assist providers in storing, handling, and administering the vaccine. The materials now available on the webpage are also attached to this letter. Currently the page contains storage and handling information. They are also working to align this information with ACIP's clinical recommendations that will be released shortly.
- In the meantime, a presentation about ACIP recommendations were presented on a CDC partner call. Slides from the presentation can be found at: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/planning/index.html>.
- Also new are updates to CDC's COVID-19 [vaccine information for consumers](#), including:
 - [What to expect at your vaccination appointment](#)
 - [What to expect after getting vaccinated](#)
 - [Post-vaccination considerations for healthcare personnel](#)
 - [Post-vaccination considerations for long-term care residents](#)
- Providers participating in the COVID-19 Vaccination Program can find information about the requirements of the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Provider Agreement at [COVID-19 Vaccination Provider Requirements and Support | CDC](#).

To keep up to date with the latest information it is recommend you check these websites frequently. Also sign up for email updates on the sites to be notified when changes and updates are made.

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact RCS policy at RCSpolicy@dshs.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

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