

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES Aging and Long-Term Support Administration

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ALTSA: NH #2021-033 ALTSA: AFH #2021-022 ALTSA: ALF #2021-022 ALTSA: ESF #2021-020 ALTSA: CCRSS #2021-018 SOURCES TO ACCESS VACCINES FOR RESIDENTS

Dear Administrator/Provider:

We recently sent a message to providers indicating the Department of Health (DOH) had a new transition plan to move from Site Vaccine Clinics to meeting new resident vaccinations through local sources. If you missed the first message, or are unable to find it, here is the information you will need and steps you will want to take to access vaccines for your residents.

To access the vaccine please use the following steps:

- Work with your existing LTC Pharmacy providers to see if they can provide in house vaccine delivery/services. For ALF and ALF, local storefront pharmacies may be willing to provide site visits/curb side service for those with mobility issues. Call and ask if possible and to prior arrange.
- 2. Contact your local health jurisdictions to link with any available mobile vaccine teams that may be available to provide support.
- 3. If none of these sources can provide, complete the DOH Survey to be contacted directly. We will work to provide available linkages and help address sourcing issues. Long Term Care Facilities COVID-19 Vaccine Request Survey (surveymonkey.com)

You can learn more by watching the webinar or read the plan document (links below):

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/recording/8207788744633829639

https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/348-798-LongTermCareVaccineTransition.pdf

Thank you for your continued commitment to resident health and safety. If you have any questions, please contact <u>covid.vaccine@doh.wa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

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