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COVID-19 Delta Variant in Champaign County

Champaign-Urbana Public Health District and Community Healthcare Partners Encourage Vaccination Against COVID-19

CHAMPAIGN, IL – The Champaign-Urbana Public Health District (CUPHD), in partnership with Carle Health, OSF HealthCare, Christie Clinic, and Promise Healthcare want to encourage those who are eligible and have not yet been vaccinated against COVID-19 to do so today. The vaccines are safe, effective, and widely available in Champaign County.

The Delta variant has now reached Champaign County and continues to increase across the country. This particular variant does appear to be more transmissible and is impacting younger patients in a way previous variants have not. In some regions, the Delta variant represents over 50 percent of cases reported. People who are fully vaccinated are protected from the Delta variant which is why it is more important than ever for people to get vaccinated. According to the CDC, preliminary data suggests that 99.5 percent of COVID deaths over the past several months were in unvaccinated people.

“With an increase in cases locally and schools reopening for in-person learning next month, now is the time to get vaccinated for protection against COVID-19 and its variants,” said Awais Vaid, Deputy Administrator and Epidemiologist at the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District.

Anyone 12 years of age or older is able to receive the Pfizer vaccine. Moderna and Johnson & Johnson are available to individuals age 18 and older. The following clinics are currently available to those meeting age requirements based on the manufacturer’s guidance and who live or work in Champaign County. Parental consent is needed for anyone under the age of 18.

Champaign-Urbana Public Health District, 201 W. Kenyon Road, Champaign.

- Walk-in appointments available each Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Walk-in clinic Saturday, July 17th from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Individuals or families with special needs or disabilities who need support with vaccine clinics, please call (217) 531-5365 and a nurse will come to your vehicle to provide the vaccination.

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Carle Health, Champaign and Urbana.

Vaccine appointments are available at two Champaign County locations by walk-in.

Starting July 19, Carle Champaign on Curtis and Carle Urbana on Windsor appointments should be scheduled by calling (217) 902-6100:

- Carle Champaign on Curtis, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Carle Urbana on Windsor, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Community Health Walk-in Clinic at Heritage Meadows Apartments in Rantoul, Saturday, July 24, 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- For more information, including assistance for homebound individuals or for mobile vaccination sites, visit <https://carle.org/Home/COVID-19-Resources/COVID-19-Vaccine-Information/county-information?county=champaign>.

Promise Healthcare, 819 Bloomington Road, Champaign.

To register:

- Call the COVID Care line at (217) 403-5402.
- Walk-in vaccinations are available at 805 Bloomington Road. No appointment needed.
- Individuals will need to register as a patient.

OSF HealthCare, Champaign, Urbana and Savoy.

- Appointments are required and can be made at www.osfhealthcare.org/vaccine.
- Vaccines are available at 1405 W. Park Street in Urbana, 1712 W. Springfield Ave in Champaign and 501 N. Dunlap Street in Savoy.

Pharmacies:

- Visit www.vaccinefinder.org for available COVID-19 vaccination appointments at local pharmacies.

Additional notes:

In most cases, you will receive your second dose where you received your first. Follow instructions on scheduling your second dose from the site.

Patients will need to wear a face covering, practice social distancing, and plan to allow at least 15 minutes for observation after the vaccination. Please limit the number of individuals in your party that are not receiving the vaccine and wear clothing to allow easy access to the upper portion of the arm for the injection.

The vaccine itself is free but providers may seek appropriate reimbursement from the recipient's plan or program (e.g., private health insurance, Medicare, Medicaid) for a vaccine administration fee. You will not be turned away if you do not have insurance or charged the balance of the bill for the vaccine. If you have questions about your specific coverage, please call the number on the back of your insurance card.

The Illinois Department of Public Health has compiled a comprehensive list of frequently asked questions about the COVID-19 vaccination. Information can be found at:

<http://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccine-faq>.

Additional information on COVID-19 vaccinations can be found at: <https://www.c-uphd.org/covid-vaccinations.html>.