Is the Pharmacy Partnership for Long-term Care Program Right for My Facility?

Five Things to Know!

The Pharmacy Partnership for Long-term Care Program provides end-to-end management of the COVID-19 vaccination process and is intended to reduce burden on long-term care facilities (LTCFs) and jurisdictional health departments. CDC is partnering with CVS and Walgreens to implement this program.

- 1. The program provides a simple and convenient option for safe and rapid access to COVID-19 vaccine for long-term care residents, once available. CVS or Walgreens will reach out to schedule and coordinate the on-site clinic date(s) directly with each facility for days and times that meet your facility's needs.
- 2. Pharmacy partners will manage the vaccine ordering, complex storage and handling, and administration of vaccine vaccine will be ordered, stored in accordance with storage conditions (which could require storage as low as -80°C), and brought on-site. Your facility will not have to provide any associated supplies (e.g., syringes, needles, personal protective equipment) to support vaccination.
- 3. **Reporting for vaccine administration data is made simple**. CVS and Walgreens will handle reporting the required data fields to your facility, the appropriate local, state/territorial, and federal public health authorities within 72 hours of administering each dose.
- 4. The **program is free of charge to facilities**. CVS or Walgreens will bill private and public insurance for the vaccine administration fee.
- 5. The **program** is available for residents in all LTC settings, and staff who may have not previously received COVID-19 vaccine (e.g., through state vaccination programs). This includes skilled nursing facilities (SNFs), nursing homes, assisted living facilities (ALFs), residential care homes, and adult family homes. The program is available in many rural areas that may not have easily accessible pharmacies.

In addition, all pharmacy partner staff supporting on-site clinic staff adhere to all applicable Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services requirements for COVID-19 testing for LTCF staff.

How Do I Enroll?

If you are a CMS-certified long-term care facility, and currently report data through NHSN, please <u>login</u> to <u>NHSN</u> and look for the link to the Pharmacy Partnership Program under Alerts.

If you are an assisted living facility, independent living facility, or similar adult congregate living setting, please enroll via this online form link: https://redcap.link/LTCF. The link is case sensitive, and you will **not** receive a confirmation email after enrolling.

You are encouraged to sign up as soon as possible as enrollment is open for a limited time.

Please direct any questions to eocevent494@cdc.gov.