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The Auglaize County Vaccine Providers continue to administer vaccines for those eligible. With the emergence of the Delta Variant of the COVID-19 virus, it puts those that are not vaccinated at even greater risk.

The following groups currently qualify for the COVID-19 vaccine.

- **12 years of age and older**
 - With parental or legal guardian consent, individuals age 12 to 17 are eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine, which is the only COVID-19 vaccine currently authorized for those under the age of 18. The Moderna and Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine is only authorized for those that are 18 years of age and older.

An additional dose of the COVID-19 vaccine (Pfizer and Moderna only) has been approved for the following group:

- Individuals with moderate to severe immunosuppression who are at heightened risk for serious outcomes from COVID-19, including
 - Individuals undergoing active treatment for cancer.
 - Individuals who have received a solid-organ transplant and are taking immunosuppressive therapy.
 - Individuals who have received a CAR-T-cell or hematopoietic stem cell transplant (within two years of transplant or taking immunosuppression therapy).
 - Individuals with moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency.
 - Individuals with advanced or untreated HIV infection.
 - Individuals undergoing active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids (i.e., ≥ 20 mg prednisone or equivalent per day), alkylating agents, antimetabolites, transplant-related immunosuppressive drugs, cancer chemotherapeutic agents classified as severely immunosuppressive, tumor-necrosis (TNF) blockers, and other biologic agents that are immunosuppressive or immunomodulatory.
- Those qualifying for an additional dose are strongly recommended to speak with their doctor to determine next steps. A patient's doctor is best positioned to determine the need for an additional vaccine dose.
- For additional information regarding the COVID-19 Vaccination Program please visit <https://gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov>

Grand Lake Health System:

Grand Lake Health System is scheduling patients 12+ for Covid-19 vaccines, including additional doses of Pfizer and Moderna vaccine as indicated above. To request an appointment, please call (419) 300-1132 and leave a voicemail. Patients will be contacted by phone to schedule their vaccine appointment.

Kroger:

Kroger of St. Marys encourages customers to visit www.kroger.com/ohiocovidvaccine or call the COVID-19 vaccine helpline at 866-211-5320 for information. Kroger Pharmacy of St. Marys no longer requires an appointment for the COVID-19 vaccine.

Walmart Pharmacy:

Walmart Pharmacy located in Wapakoneta, Ohio, is currently offering the COVID-19 vaccine. Walk-Ins accepted! Clients may now walk-in for a vaccine any time during pharmacy business hours which are Monday-Friday from 9:00am to 8:30pm, Saturday from 9:00am to 6:30pm, and Sunday 10:00am to 5:30pm. For more information please call (419) 738-0490. If you would like to schedule an appointment for your vaccine please visit www.Walmart.com/covidvaccine.

Auglaize County Health Department:

The Auglaize County Health Department has availability for those age 18 years of age and older to receive the Moderna vaccine. To schedule an appointment please call (419) 738-3410 and select option 4. If staff are unable to answer, you will be asked to leave your contact information and a scheduling representative will return your call with scheduling options. Schedule availability will depend on the clinic demand. For more information please visit our website <https://auglaizehealth.org/covid-19-information>.

Lima Memorial Health System:

For information on scheduling an appointment to receive the vaccine through the Lima Memorial Health System please call (419) 998-4491 or visit their website www.limamemorial.org/vaccine.

CVS Pharmacy Wapakoneta:

The CVS Pharmacy located in Wapakoneta is now offering COVID-19 vaccine appointments. Please visit www.cvs.com for information on making an appointment and additional details.

Rite Aid Pharmacy St. Marys:

The Rite Aid Pharmacy located in St. Marys is now offering the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine. Please visit <https://www.riteaid.com/pharmacy/scheduler> for information on making an appointment and additional details.

Additional information on other COVID-19 Vaccine Providers providing vaccine around our area can be found on <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination-program>.

Please remember to continue practicing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) safety recommendations (wearing a facial covering, social distancing, and washing your hands often) as you wait on receiving the vaccine to help in reducing the spread of the virus and keeping you, your family, and your friends safe.
