VACCINE NEWS: WEEKLY REVIEW

THIS WEEK'S PROGRESS

- On March 15, Gov. Andy Beshear, First Lady Britainy Beshear and Kentucky Public Health Commissioner Dr. Steven Stack recognized the milestone of 1 million Kentuckians being vaccinated during a ceremony at the state Capitol. The first COVID-19 vaccines that arrived in Kentucky were administered to health care workers on Dec. 14. Now, three months later, health care heroes have vaccinated 1 million Kentuckians.
- Also on March 15, Gov. Beshear announced 99.7% of all first vaccine doses sent to Kentucky have been administered after another record-setting week.
- On March 18, Gov. Beshear announced three new regional vaccination locations, raising the state's total number of vaccination sites to 570. The new locations are: Cardinal Stadium at 2800 S. Floyd St. in Louisville; Whitney Young Elementary at 3526 W. Muhammad Ali Blvd. in Louisville; and Kentucky Dam Village Convention Center, 113 Administration Drive in Gilbertsville. To learn more, see the full release.

NEXT WEEK'S GOALS

- The Governor announced all Kentuckians 50 and older can sign up for COVID-19 vaccination appointments on or after March 22. He said all Kentuckians ages 16 and older will be able to sign up for appointments by April 12.
- On March 16, Gov. Beshear said, "Remember, by May 31, we believe every Kentucky adult who wants a vaccine will have gotten at least their first shot of hope. We believe that we will beat the president's goal to open appointments up to everybody 16 and up by May 1."

THINGS TO KNOW

- On March 18, Gov. Beshear announced three additional transportation providers Scottsville Transit, the Owensboro Transit System and the Murray-Calloway Transit Authority – are now offering free rides to and from vaccination sites. Kentuckians can find free or reduced-cost transportation services near them by heading to kycovid19.ky.gov for a full list of participating public transit agencies and their phone numbers. Or, call the COVID-19 vaccine hotline, 855-598-2246 or TTY 855-326-4654 (for deaf or hard-of-hearing Kentuckians).
- Kentucky's COVID-19 vaccine website, vaccine.ky.gov, shows Kentuckians which phase they are in specifically. Individuals can sign up for notifications so state officials can communicate with them when doses become available at new and existing sites.
- The state's COVID-19 vaccine hotline (listed above) has the same features as the website. The hotline is available 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST Monday through Friday.



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