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COVID-19 Vaccine: Update

As the COVID-19 vaccine becomes more widely available to targeted populations, the following email provides information from the **Orange County Health Care Agency (OCHCA)** related to availability, phases, notification and how to schedule a vaccination appointment.

VACCINE AVAILABILITY AND PHASES

Please be aware that counties have the authority to limit eligibility based on vaccine availability and as of this date OCHCA is only authorizing/allowing vaccines for Phase 1A, all tiers. OCHCA is reviewing the scope of what positions fall under the term "educators" in Phase 1B, Tier 1 in the <u>State's COVID-19</u> <u>Vaccine Allocation Guidelines</u>. The University will release updated guidance when information becomes available from the OCHCA. Faculty and staff residing outside of Orange County should regularly check their county and city information as some may have opened Phase 1B, Tier 1 for their residents.

The University must follow OCHCA guidance for vaccination distribution. Universities and colleges, both locally and across the nation, may be providing vaccination services. However, this is done in partnership with the county in which they reside. At the request of the OCHCA, the University is **not** at this time serving as a vaccination distribution site.

NOTIFICATION TO CSUF EMPLOYEES

When a targeted population becomes eligible for the vaccine, the OCHCA will notify the University. The University will email all employees within the targeted population alerting them to register on the Orange County-wide Othena website, or to contact their primary care provider for instructions. The University will also provide eligible employees with a verification letter stating that the employee is included in the targeted population– which will be required at county-wide vaccinations sites.

HOW TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

All University employees are encouraged to enroll now in the Othena application (<u>https://www.othena.com/</u>). Please note, <u>no institution code</u> is required to register. When applicable, the following are options to schedule an appointment for the vaccine:

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Option 1:

Register on the Othena website and wait for an invitation to schedule.

Register on the Othena website (<u>https://www.othena.com/</u>) and complete the screening questionnaire. Check your email often for an invitation from Othena to schedule an appointment.

Option 2:

Contact your health care provider for vaccine availability.

Contact your health care provider. Select health organizations are now offering vaccines for released tiers.

Option 3:

Check the California COVID-19 website.

Check the <u>California COVID-19 website</u> often for updated information on available vaccine resources in your community.

Prior to leaving for a scheduled vaccination appointment, employees should confirm they have all required documentation, which will likely include the verification letter provided by the University; a government or state-issued photo identification card; and a copy of your most recent pay stub. Copies of employee pay stubs are available online at the <u>Cal Employee Connect (CEC) portal</u>. You must register for an account if you have not done so already. <u>Registration instructions</u> are available on our website. Please continue to check your emails and the <u>Titans Return</u> website for the latest updates on the evolving COVID-19 response.

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