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## **Press Release**

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## **COVID Vaccine Distribution**

Page County has received the first shipment of the COVID-19 vaccine. The county received 600 doses from Moderna. Of the 600 doses, 200 doses went directly to Clarinda Regional Health Center for their staff, 200 doses went to Shenandoah Medical Center for their staff, and 200 doses went to Page County Public Health for EMS providers in the county and other healthcare providers not affiliated with one of the hospitals. All the long-term care and assisted living facilities in the county have been paired with a national pharmacy chain to receive vaccines.

Currently, we are in Phase 1A of the distribution plan, which includes the groups listed above. After all workers included in Phase 1A are vaccinated, the county may move to Phase 1B. Included in Phase 1B are school and childcare staff, people over 65 years of age, people with underlying health conditions, and non-healthcare essential workers. Iowa Department of Public Health (IDPH) has indicated the next round of vaccine could arrive in January. IDPH hopes the vaccine will be available to the general public by mid-spring 2021.

Page County Public Health encourages anyone with questions regarding the vaccine to call Page County Public Health at 712-850-1212.

As always, current COVID-19 information can be found by visiting the Iowa Coronavirus webpage at <a href="https://coronavirus.iowa.gov/">https://coronavirus.iowa.gov/</a>. Any questions regarding COVID-19 or any other public health concerns can be directed to Page County Public Health at 712-850-1212.

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