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Community Talking Points

March 24, 2021

- In the past 7 days (March 16th-March 23rd), there have been 30 new cases, 2 hospitalizations, and 2 deaths. As of 3/18, Williams County remains level 2 (orange) on the Ohio Public Health Advisory System (OPHAS) and triggered 2 of the 7 indicators (New cases per capita & Non-congregate cases).
- The WCHD is hosting FREE COVID-19 vaccine clinics for everyone 16 years or older. Anyone can register for a FREE COVID-19 vaccine!
 - Register for the vaccine by calling the Williams County Vaccine Call Center at 419-636-0081 or by using the link on the WCHD website (<u>bit.ly/WCVaccine</u>). The call center is open Mon.-Fri. from 9am to 4pm.
 - The WCHD is expanding our vaccine clinics to include more weekend and evening appointments.
 - o Individuals 16 & 17 years old can get the Pfizer vaccine. Individuals 18 and older are eligible for the Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions

- If I have an underlying medical condition, can I get a COVID-19 vaccine? Source: CDC
 - People with underlying medical conditions can receive a COVID-19 vaccine as long as they have not had an immediate or severe allergic reaction to a COVID-19 vaccine or to any of the ingredients in the vaccine. Vaccination is an important consideration for adults of any age with certain underlying medical conditions because they are at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19. Learn more about vaccination considerations for people with underlying medical conditions: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/recommendations/underlying-conditions.html
- What ingredients are in COVID-19 vaccines? Source: CDC
 - mRNA vaccines (Pfizer or Moderna)
 - Messenger RNA vaccines contain instructions for your body to make proteins that produce harmless spike protein found on the surface the virus.
 - mRNA vaccines are free of preservatives and only contain the mRNA, a fatty coating layer to protect the mRNA, PEG (polyethylene glycol), and a combination of salts, sugar, and water. There are no blood products or fetal cells in the vaccine.
 - Viral vector vaccines (Johnson & Johnson)
 - Viral vector vaccines use a safe virus to teach your body about COVID-19.
 - Other ingredients include salts, sugar, water, and medical-grade alcohol. There are no blood products, animal products, or fetal tissues.
 - To learn more about the ingredients in authorized COVID-19 vaccines, find more information by clicking these links. Pfizer: https://bit.ly/3tIF2I4; Moderna: https://bit.ly/3d13JsH