## **Williams County Health District**

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## **Community Talking Points**

August 25, 2021

Williams County (WC) Data: August 17th – August 24th				
<b>87</b> New Cases	<b>1</b> New Hospitalizations	<b>0</b> Deaths Reported (delayed due to ODH death reporting system change)	<b>39.50%</b> Completed 1st Dose of COVID-19 Vaccine	CDC Level of Community Transmission: RED – HIGH
<b>#26</b> Williams County's Rank (based on cases per capita in	332.5 – high incidence WC Cases Per Capita (new cases per 100,000	<b>259.2</b> Ohio Cases Per Capita (new cases per 100,000	<b>36.84%</b> Completed COVID-19 Vaccine Series	
88 counties in Ohio)	population over 2 weeks)	population over 2 weeks)		

- On Monday, August 23rd, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) granted full approval for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, now known as Comirnaty, for individuals ages 16+. Source: FDA & Public Health Collab.
  - To receive full approval, the FDA requires extensive data on safety and effectiveness, inspection of manufacturing facilities, and a comprehensive review of all clinical and "real-world" data about the vaccine. Full FDA approval means that a vaccine has cleared every level of review and represents the FDA's highest level of confidence in a vaccine's safety and effectiveness.
  - The Pfizer vaccine also continues to be available under emergency use authorization (EUA), including for people 12 through 15 years of age and for the administration of a third dose in certain immunocompromised individuals.
  - ODH Director Dr. Vanderhoff stated, "Full approval of this safe, effective COVID-19 vaccine can give Ohioans an added layer of confidence when choosing to be vaccinated. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine was built upon decades of research on mRNA vaccines, and was thoroughly evaluated and tested in one of the largest vaccine clinical trials in history... This action by the FDA validates the confidence of so many physicians, scientists, & public health experts in the safety and efficacy of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine."
  - Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines continue to be safely administered through emergency use authorization. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine was the first to receive EUA, which is why it is the first to have enough evidence to receive full approval. Moderna has submitted an application for full approval of its COVID-19 vaccine, and the FDA is currently reviewing that data.
- The Williams County Health Department was made aware of several Williams County residents who were hospitalized with COVID-19 that were not reported to the Ohio Department of Health. In the next few days, you will see an increase in the number of hospitalizations reported for Williams County. Some of these hospitalizations occurred as early as May 2021.
- Getting the COVID-19 vaccine is convenient! Free vaccine clinics are being held at the following locations:
  - Montpelier WCHD Walk-in Clinics: Walk-in appointments are available during clinic hours. Pfizer (12+) & Johnson & Johnson (18+) vaccines are available Mondays & Wednesdays from 9:15am to 4:30pm. For an appointment: <u>bit.ly/WCVaccine</u> or call 419-485-3141.
  - Pioneer Church of the Nazarene Clinic: The Pioneer Church of the Nazarene (13962 Co Rd S, Pioneer, OH 43554) is hosting a COVID-19 vaccine clinic this Friday, August 27th from 12pm to 4:30pm. Pfizer (12+) and Johnson & Johnson (18+) vaccines will be available. You can make an appointment online at <a href="https://bit.ly/WCVaccine">bit.ly/WCVaccine</a> or calling 419-485-3141. Walk-ins are also welcome!

- Homebound COVID-19 Vaccinations: This program is for those who are homebound due to mobility issues and cannot travel to receive their COVID-19 vaccination. Call 419-485-3141 to arrange an appointment.
- Are you interested in hosting a COVID-19 clinic at an event, organization, or business? Submit a location suggestion here: <u>https://bit.ly/WCClinic</u>



<u>Where:</u> Pioneer Church of the Nazarene 13962 County Road S, Pioneer, OH 43554 <u>When: Friday, August 27</u> from 12pm-4:30pm

Pfizer will be available for all 12+, and J&J will be available for all 18+

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