

UPDATE CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)



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Dear Members,

Coinciding with the day states were to submit their draft plans to the federal government on how they will distribute a COVID-19 vaccine should it be approved for public use, the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services announced (<https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2020/10/16/trump-administration-partners-cvs-walgreens-provide-covid-19-vaccine-protect-vulnerable-americans-long-term-care-facilities-nationwide.html>) a partnership with CVS and Walgreens to manage vaccinations, free of charge, for residents in all long-term care settings, including assisted living residences.

The pharmacies, which will schedule and coordinate on-site clinic dates directly with each community, expect to make a total of three visits during a two-month timeframe to administer both doses of vaccine to residents and staff.

Starting Monday, October 19, assisted living communities that have already registered will be able to opt-in to the program online and indicate which pharmacy partner they prefer to have on-site. The form will remain open until October 29. For questions specific to the Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program, you are also encouraged to contact eocevent494@cdc.gov.

Additional information about the Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program, including a program overview, can be found [here](#) and FAQs [here](#).

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