

**EXECUTIVE ORDER  
2021-9**

Updating the COVID-19 Vaccination Plan

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 is a worldwide pandemic caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), a virus that spreads easily from person to person and can cause serious illness or death;

**WHEREAS**, as of April 14, 2021, 391,177 Utah residents have been infected with COVID-19; 15,838 Utah residents have been hospitalized due to COVID-19; and 2,161 Utah residents have died as a result of COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, COVID-19 will continue to cause serious illness and death until a sufficient number of Utah residents are vaccinated or have immunity after recovering from this infection;

**WHEREAS**, the United States Food and Drug Administration has recently authorized the use of multiple COVID-19 vaccinations;

**WHEREAS**, Utah is making significant progress in providing vaccines to all adults who want to be vaccinated and as of April 14, 2021, 1,136,477 people in Utah have received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine;

**WHEREAS**, Utah is receiving regular distributions of vaccines and has sufficient vaccines to provide them to any adult who wants to be vaccinated;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Spencer J. Cox, Governor of the State of Utah, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Utah, do hereby order that:

1. **Definitions.** As used in this Order:
  - a. "COVID-19" means Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 caused by Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus 2, also known as SARS-CoV-2.
  - b. "COVID-19 vaccine" means a COVID-19 vaccine and adjuvant (if applicable) provided to a vaccine provider as part of the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program.
  - c. "Prime dose" means the first dose of a two-dose series vaccine, or a single dose of a single-dose vaccine.
  - d. "Vaccine provider" means any person, including a CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider, that administers a COVID-19 vaccine in the state of Utah.
2. **Vaccine eligibility.** The Utah Department of Health shall, in consultation with the Governor's Office, establish vaccine eligibility criteria and publish the eligibility criteria on coronavirus.utah.gov.
3. **Vaccine provider requirements.** A vaccine provider shall:
  - a. administer each prime dose of a COVID-19 vaccine within seven days of receiving the prime dose; and
  - b. each day by 6:59 a.m.:
    - i. report to the Utah Statewide Immunization Information System COVID-19 vaccines administered during the previous calendar day by the vaccine provider; and
    - ii. report to VaccineFinder the number of COVID-19 vaccines on-hand by the vaccine provider.
4. **Reduced distribution for noncompliance.** A vaccine provider that does not comply with this Order may be subject to a reduced COVID-19 vaccine distribution or no distribution for future distribution periods.
5. **Redistribution of unused vaccines.** A COVID-19 vaccine not used within seven days of distribution is subject to redistribution.
6. **Access by underserved communities.** The Utah Department of Health shall coordinate with local health departments and community stakeholders to establish procedures to offer the COVID-19 vaccine to eligible individuals in traditionally underserved communities.
7. **Monoclonal antibodies.** The Utah Department of Health shall coordinate with local health departments to establish procedures to offer monoclonal antibodies to residents of long-term care facilities who have tested positive for COVID-19.

This Order is effective immediately, and shall remain in effect until modified, amended, rescinded, or superseded.

**IN WITNESS, WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah. Done in Salt Lake City, Utah, on this, the 15th day of April, 2021.

(State Seal)

**Spencer J. Cox**  
Governor

ATTEST:

**Deidre M. Henderson**  
Lieutenant Governor

