

Kentucky Statewide Physician Protocol for COVID-19 Vaccines

Purpose

This statewide physician protocol signed by a physician with the Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services specifies the criteria and procedures for eligible pharmacies who have met the requirements established by the [Kentucky Board of Pharmacy](#) and in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the Commonwealth. *This signed protocol is intended for pharmacists that **do not** have a medical provider to issue a protocol.*

COVID-19 Vaccine Protocol	
Background	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 is a respiratory illness caused by the virus severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2) • Pfizer and Moderna have received an emergency use authorization (EUA) from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to vaccinate individuals throughout the United States • Healthcare professionals, including pharmacists, pharmacy interns and pharmacy technicians have been authorized to administer the COVID-19 vaccine under the Public Health Emergency (PHE)
Vaccine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 vaccines which have received an EUA from the FDA • <i>Examples:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccine, mRNA (Moderna) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Intramuscular Suspension: 100mcg/0.5mL ○ SARS-COV-2 (COVID-19) Vaccine, mRNA (Pfizer) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Intramuscular Suspension: 30mcg/0.3mL
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Based on vaccine specific EUA Fact sheets • Pursuant to any vaccine authorized under the EUA as directed by the FDA
Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacy employees are trained on proper administration, storage, and handling of COVID-19 vaccines • Pharmacy employees have reviewed manufacturer instructions • Pharmacy employees should educate their patients about the vaccine using the respective EUA Fact Sheet • COVID-19 Vaccination Training Programs and Reference Materials for Healthcare Professionals • All pharmacists, pharmacist interns, and pharmacy technicians may administer COVID-19 vaccines to children age 3 and above under this protocol pursuant to meeting all requirements established by 201 KAR 2:410(E)
Documentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pharmacy employees must comply with recordkeeping and reporting requirements as required by the Kentucky Board of Pharmacy and the Kentucky Department of Public Health • For off-site administration, pharmacy employees must document vaccine administration in their dispensing system within 24 hours of administration and report the administration data to the relevant system no later than 72 hours after administration • Pharmacy employees should report the administration of each vaccination to the Kentucky Immunization Registry (KYIR) within 72 hours

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