

COVID-19 Vaccine Now Available for Physicians and Staff

The North Texas Medical Society Coalition, comprised of the medical societies of Dallas, Denton, Collin-Fannin, Grayson, and Tarrant counties, is pleased to announce that initial appointments are now available for physicians and their staff to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. This program is a collaboration between the North Texas Medical Society Coalition and Kroger Health, Tom Thumb/Albertsons, Brookshire's, and Brookshire Brothers pharmacies of North Texas.

- Any North Texas physician or office staff member who is otherwise unable to obtain the vaccine may utilize this program.
- Due to the high demand for the very limited supply of vaccine currently being allocated, **all physicians and staff members who would like a vaccination must make an appointment.** Walk-ins are not guaranteed to receive a vaccination and are likely to be turned away due to supply limitations.
- Appointment availability is subject to the supply of vaccine received at that particular location. If no appointment times are available at your first option, please check other locations.
- Please check the scheduling links regularly as additional vaccine supply will be arriving on an ongoing basis and new appointments will be added.
- If you have health insurance, please bring your medical and prescription insurance card to the appointment. **There is no out-of-pocket cost for the vaccine.**
- Please bring a form of identification that indicates that you are a physician or staff member for a physician. This can include a business card, letter on physician's letterhead, medical license, photo ID badge, etc. Supply of the vaccine remains very limited and specifically prioritized for this program. To assist the pharmacies in only providing vaccines to physicians

and staff at this time, identification will be necessary to demonstrate that you are a physician or work in a physician's office.

- **It is vital that you not share these instructions or links with the general public, outside organizations, do not post on social media, or share with family, or friends.** The vaccines allocated through this program are specifically earmarked for North Texas physicians and staff only. If external parties access the links, they can make appointments, which will delay physicians and their staff getting vaccinated.

We appreciate everyone's understanding and patience as this program was being developed and thank you for all you are doing to serve our community.

Kroger Health Vaccine Appointment Instructions

- The doses allocated for Kroger Health last week were affected by a weather delay, but have now arrived as of Monday, January 4.
- As part of our North Texas Medical Society collaborative project, Kroger Health has made appointments available exclusively for Phase 1A physicians and their staff to receive the COVID-19 vaccine at their pharmacies.
- To make an appointment for a physician or staff member only, please click the following link and choose a location (Chrome internet browser works best): <https://www.kroger.com/rx/guest/get-vaccinated>
- **When prompted to "Choose a Vaccine", scroll to the bottom of the list and select "Other (Travel)".**
- You then must type **"HCP – MD"** in the text box to designate that you are a physician, or work for a physician's office. This is a unique identifier for this program only, do not share this information with the public, on social media, or with non-physicians or staff.

- Appointments made without the above text, "HCP – MD", will be canceled and a cancellation notice sent so as to ensure we focus on the Phase 1A physicians and staff in this program.