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News Release COVID-19 Moderna Vaccine Arrives in Pike County, IL

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Pittsfield, IL – Moderna vaccine for the COVID-19 virus arrived in Pike County on December 28, 2020. Pike County Health Department (PCHD) was given enough vaccine to administer 100 vaccinations to those listed in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Phase 1A of the vaccine rollout. Those include: nurses, physicians, dentists, dental hygienists, other workers in health care settings, EMS, pharmacists, public health nurses, emergency preparedness workers, funeral home workers, first responders, firefighters and police.

Vaccinations will again be given in a hospital setting due to the possibility of adverse reactions. PCHD partnered with Illini Community Hospital to administer the COVID-19 vaccine.

Side effects that have been reported with the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, tenderness, and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm as the injection, swelling (hardness), and redness.
- General side effects: fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea, vomiting, and fever.

There is a remote chance that the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. Those that have had a severe allergic reaction to a previous dose of this vaccine or those that have had a severe allergic reaction to any component of this vaccine should not be vaccinated.

The Moderna Vaccine is most effective given in 2 doses, 1 month apart. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown. For more information on the Moderna Vaccine, you can go to: www.modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua

For updates on Pike County COVID-19 cases, please go to our website at <a href="https://www.pikecountyil.org/health-department/health-depa

For general questions about the COVID-19 virus, call 1-800-889-3931.

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