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## News Release PCHD Vaccination Plan Moves Into Phase 1B

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**Pittsfield, IL** – Pike County Health Department (PCHD) will receive another shipment of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine this week. PCHD is following phased prioritization guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). Pike County residents, or those who work in Pike County, who meet Phase 1B guidelines are now eligible to receive the vaccine. Those in Phase 1B include people aged 65 years and older and frontline essential workers. Frontline essential workers include workers in the following categories: first responders, corrections, food and agriculture, postal service, manufacturing, grocery stores, public transit, education, and daycare.

If you are a Pike County resident or work in Pike County and are age 65 and over, please call the health department at 217-285-4407 and use option 8 to leave your name, date of birth, and phone number. Appointments will be scheduled based on prioritization quidelines and available vaccine.

Please note, PCHD is receiving a large number of calls. If you have provided your information to PCHD, you will be called to set up an appointment as appointments and vaccine become available.

IDPH now has a new hashtag specifically to showcase Illinoisans getting their COVID-19 vaccine. Those with social media accounts can post pictures of themselves getting the vaccine and include the hashtag **#VaxUpIL.** 

Information on vaccinations in Illinois by county is now available 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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