



A Discussion on Pennsylvania's COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution March 10, 2021

Thank you Chairman Day and members of the committee for the opportunity to testify before the committee today about our COVID-19 Vaccination Efforts. My name is Bryan Lowe, I am the Regional Director of Government Relations for Walgreens. I represent 7 states including Pennsylvania – and happy to say that I am based out of, and live here, in the Harrisburg area.

Walgreens, and CVS, are here today with a common goal, to get as many residents immunized as quickly as possible – especially our most vulnerable.

We take immense pride in being a part of protecting our communities from COVID-19 and helping the country take this first step toward emerging from this pandemic. Walgreens is supporting Operation Warp Speed, together with the CDC, the (federal) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and state and local governments, to administer vaccines as quickly as possible to Americans. As a part of the Federal Long Term Care Facility Partnership, we are providing vaccinations at over 35,000 Long Term Care Facilities across the country. Through this partnership our team members, our pharmacists and our technicians are able to go on site to skilled nursing and other long term care facilities to administer vaccinations to both residents and staff.

With a footprint of 108 stores in Pennsylvania, our team members are embedded in communities across the state. Our teams don't think of this as just the Long Term Care Facility partnership - we know we are immunizing your parents, a retired former teacher, our neighbor's grandparents, an old friend. We know that with every vaccine we administer we are bringing that resident one-step closer to being able to hold their loved ones again. And we take that personally.

In Pennsylvania (inclusive of Philadelphia which is a separate jurisdiction in this program), Walgreens has been assigned 432 Long Term Care Facilities (LTCF) across the state. This includes 102 Skilled Nursing Facilities and 316 facilities including Assisted Living, Senior Residential Facilities, and homes for the Intellectually and Developmentally Disabled.

For each facility we schedule three on-site clinics. Each clinic is scheduled to account for the time necessary between dose 1 and dose 2.

Our prioritization for scheduling reflects the state activations for each type of facility. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania activated Skilled Nursing Facilities on December 28th and all of our initial immunization efforts have been at these facilities. The remaining LTC facilities were activated as of January 18th.



For Skilled Nursing Facilities we have completed over 41,700 vaccinations¹. We have completed all of the first clinics and second clinics, and are 89% complete with third clinics. **Our estimated date of completion for all three clinics for the Skilled Nursing Facilities is this Friday, March 12th.**

Now that the state has activated the remaining Long Term Care Facilities, we are actively scheduling these facilities. For Assisted Living Facilities we have completed over 25,500 vaccines. All Assisted Living Facilities have completed their first and second clinics and we are working through the third and final clinics at this time with approximately 20% of facilities having already completed the third clinic. Outside of a handful of facilities that have requested to be scheduled later, or have experienced an outbreak, **we are on pace to have all three clinics completed for these facilities by March 19th.** The remaining facilities that experienced an outbreak or requested to be scheduled later will be completed by April 9th.

We stand committed to vaccinating the Long Term Care Population as quickly as possible and Walgreens will continue to work with state as they finalize their plans to administer COVID-19 vaccines to additional vulnerable populations.

COVID-19 vaccines will be available in all of Walgreens more than 9,000 store locations, once they become available for mass administration. At that time, individuals will be able to schedule vaccination appointments through the Walgreens app or online at www.walgreens.com/schedulevaccine or at 1-800-WALGREENS.

Since the onset of the pandemic, Walgreens has helped accelerate the availability of COVID tests, ensured access to essential medicines and products, ramped up the company's annual flu immunization program, and served as a safe and trusted source of information and resources. We are proud to continue to be your trusted partner as we work together to end this global pandemic.

¹ Data as of End of Day March 7, 2021, all data is inclusive of Philadelphia.