Equity Council Agenda

Zoom Meeting Time: April 14, 2021 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Welcomes & Introductions

- Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) Chief of Staff Yvette Mendez welcomed the Council members

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Update – Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) team

- RIDOH Medical Director Dr. James McDonald addressed the CDC’s halt of the distribution of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine, and thoroughly explained the clinical issues leading to this action.
- The RIDOH data team shared the progress of vaccination in communities of color and high-density communities (HDCs).
- For more information on COVID-19 vaccination and the status vaccine distribution in Rhode Island, please visit https://covid.ri.gov/vaccination.

Equity-focused Vaccination Clinics – Pastor Howard Jenkins and Dr. Luis-Daniel Muñoz

- 2,637 individuals were vaccinated through the Equity Focused Vaccination clinics on April 10th and 11th. This total includes both individuals that pre-registered and walk-in attendees.
- Equity Council members who organized and participated in the equity-focused vaccination events shared their insights about the operations and outcomes of the weekend’s clinics, as well as areas of improvement for next weekend’s clinics.

Community Feedback: What are you hearing from the community? What should the State know?

- A councilmember requested additional data to clarify how many attendees, without walk-ins, were served, and their race and ethnicity, at the April 10th and 11th Equity Focused Vaccination clinics.

Next Steps

- The RIDOH data team will follow up with data that more clearly details the race and ethnicity breakdowns of the attendees of the April 10th and 11th Equity Focused Vaccination clinics.

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- Closing remarks given by Yvette Mendez