

Zoom Meeting Time: April 7, 2021 3:30 - 4:30 PM

Welcomes & Introductions

• Executive Office of Health and Human Services Secretary Womazetta Jones welcomed the Council members

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Strategy Update | Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) Director Dr. Nicole Alexander-Scott

- Significant decrease in hospitalizations for all racial groups since last surge. Hospitalizations and vaccinations for Tier 1 have both increased since March 31st.
- Equity focused vaccination sites will occur on April 10th at the Dunkin Donuts Center in Providence and on April 10th and April 11th at 1500 Diamond Hill Road in Woonsocket.
- 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

- In-person registration efforts took place at several locations on April 3rd and 4th. 1800 individuals have registered for vaccinations and an additional 600 links have been sent to individuals who have confirmed their interest but have yet to register.
- The Equity-focused Vaccination Clinics will be staffed by community volunteers as well FEMA and RI National Guard staff.

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

• A Council member provided feedback on the process of registering for a vaccine appointment over the 2-1-1 phone line run by the United Way.

Next Steps

• Equity Council members are working with RIDOH staff to finalize logistical details for the upcoming Equity-focused vaccination clinics on April 10th, 11th, 17th, and 18th.

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• Closing remarks given by Secretary Womazetta Jones