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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN OKALOOSA COUNTY ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS STILL AVAILABLE FOR APRIL 26-30



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FORT WALTON BEACH, Fla.— The Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa) is partnering with Okaloosa County Emergency Medical Services to offer COVID-19 vaccinations. Appointments are still available for vaccination events scheduled for April 26 and April 30 both online and over the phone.

Medical experts and doctors developed a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine. This vaccine is authorized by the Food and Drug Administration based on clinical testing. If you have questions, please visit <u>It's Up to You</u> to get answers! The COVID-19 vaccine allows us to keep our family's safe and protect the most vulnerable people. It is also a monumental step toward getting back to the moments we have all missed – visiting and sharing time with family and friends.

COVID-19 vaccinations in Okaloosa County are by appointment only and open to persons ages 16 and older (Pfizer-BioNTech). Any individual who is not 18 years of age or older by the day of their vaccination appointment must be accompanied by a parent/guardian to the vaccination clinic. Unaccompanied minors cannot be vaccinated and will be turned away from the vaccination clinic.

Appointments must be made in advance. To make an appointment visit

<u>https://OkaloosaCOVID19Vax.eventbrite.com</u> to register online via <u>Eventbrite</u> or by calling 850-344-0566. Google Chrome is the recommended browser for using Eventbrite. You should make sure your web browser is up to date. An overloaded web browser could prevent your registration from going through. Clear your browser's cache and cookies.

Date	Time	Location	Vaccine
Monday, April 26	3:15 p.m. –	Niceville High School	Pfizer-
-	6:15 p.m.	800 E. John Sims Pkwy	BioNTech
		Niceville, FL	
Friday, April 30	9 a.m. – 4 p.m.	DOH-Okaloosa	Pfizer-
		221 Hospital Drive, NE	BioNTech
		Fort Walton Beach, FL	

The vaccination provided will be the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. A second dose of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is required 21 days after the first dose. Learn more about mRNA vaccines and how they work.

Individuals receiving the vaccine must complete a consent form. This is available on our <u>website</u>. For those that cannot access the forms in advance, a paper copy will be provided at your appointment time. **A consent form is required for each dose of the vaccine.**

All individuals being vaccinated must show a valid government-issued ID. This can include a passport, driver's license or military identification card. People will also need to bring their registration confirmation number.

Updates will be added to DOH-Okaloosa website, <u>www.HealthyOkaloosa.com</u>. Information about the statewide vaccination distribution plan can be found on the Department of Health's dedicated <u>COVID-19 webpage</u>.

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