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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN OKALOOSA COUNTY ANNOUNCES HOMEBOUND COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM FOR OKALOOSA COUNTY



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FORT WALTON BEACH, Fla.— Florida Department of Health in Okaloosa County (DOH-Okaloosa) is pleased to announce a COVID-19 vaccination program for homebound individuals in Okaloosa County. DOH-Okaloosa will visit the homes of homebound individuals to administer the vaccine.

Persons who are eligible for this program are Okaloosa County residents:

- Who have not been vaccinated with a COVID-19 vaccine; and
- Who have an injury, developmental disability or medical condition that makes it difficult to leave the home; and
- For whom it would require considerable and taxing efforts to access the COVID-19 vaccine outside the home.

Caregivers and other household family members are also eligible to be vaccinated while DOH-Okaloosa is at the home.

To sign-up for the program, email <u>DOHOkaloosa@flhealth.gov</u> or call 850-344-0566. Please include a name and a contact phone number when emailing or calling.

A nurse from the health department will then contact the person at the phone number provided to verify the persons homebound condition and discuss if other members of the household or caregivers need vaccination. The nurse will also screen all individuals requesting the vaccine for any contraindications.

Following the initial assessment, the nurse will schedule the homebound vaccination visit. The type of vaccine being administered will be determined in the initial assessment based on screening criteria.

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