



SCOTLAND COUNTY HOSPITAL

Caring for you, when you need us.

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Dear Communities We Serve:

As COVID-19 cases continue to impact our hospital, we are seeing hope in the first round of vaccines being administered throughout Missouri.

We are proud to share that our Scotland County Hospital team has provided 100 vaccinations to our front-line health care workers who are among the first group designated by Missouri public health authorities to receive the vaccines, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines.

As our vaccine supply increases throughout the coming weeks and months, we will expand our vaccine operations to the community, as guided by the CDC and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. We will share a defined timeline as more information becomes available.

It will take time to vaccinate all members of our community that request the vaccine. In the meantime and after, please continue to follow all common sense safety precautions – wear a mask, practice physical distancing and clean hand hygiene. There's good reason to believe, and evidence out there, that the risk of seasonal influenza and other respiratory infections is reduced with these precautions as well.

We will keep you informed and updated as we learn more and prepare for each phase of vaccinations. There are many moving parts related to the supply and administration of the vaccine, so thank you for your patience and understanding as we strive to take care of the communities we serve.

Here's what you can do now – If you are interested in the vaccine, please call our COVID-19 Hotline at 660-956-6820 and leave a clear message with your name, call back number and date of birth. We have started a list and when we learn more about the availability of the vaccine, to us for public use, we will start to call the names on this list.

Please share this message with your friends, family and others in the community who have questions or concerns about the vaccine. Up-to-date resources and information also are available for individuals on the state's vaccine website [MoStopsCOVID.com](https://www.mostopsCOVID.com).

Please continue to send well wishes to our front-line caregivers as they take care of patients and families.

Sincerely,
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