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## Tri-County Vaccine Update

Peoria City/County Health Department, Tazewell County Health Department, and Woodford County Health Department, along with our healthcare systems and community partners, appreciate the community's patience as we roll out the COVID-19 vaccine to residents.

Like most counties in the State of Illinois, our ability to distribute vaccine is directly related to our weekly allotment. Vaccine is shared with our partners as soon as it is received. With limited vaccine and demand high, the process of vaccination will take time. More appointments will be added as vaccine becomes more readily available. All residents will have an opportunity to be vaccinated.

The allocation of vaccine from the Illinois Department of Public Health to the local health departments has been reduced for the next two weeks. The reduction in vaccine shipment reduces the number of appointments available to schedule. Persons in Phase 1A and 1B continue to be vaccinated. The Tri-County area will not move to vaccinate the 1B expansion group on February 25 as announced by the governor because of expected reduced vaccine shipments. When we are confident in a consistent supply, the health department and other partners will announce appointments for those in the 1B expansion population.

Projected totals for the Tri-County:

|       | 2/15 | 2/22 | 2/29 | Total |
|-------|------|------|------|-------|
| PCCHD | 500  | 500  | 1000 | 2000  |
| TCHD  | 400  | 400  | 800  | 1600  |
| WCHD  | 200  | 200  | 300  | 700   |
| Total | 1100 | 1100 | 2100 | 4300  |

Continue to follow COVID-19 safety guidance and wear your masks, wash your hands, and keep your distance.

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Follow your local health department websites for up-to-date information:

Peoria City/County Health Department, <http://www.peoriacounty.org/pcchd>

Tazewell County Health Department, <http://www.tazewellhealth.org>

Woodford County Health Department, <http://woodfordhealth.org>