California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS)
California Department of Public Health (CDPH)

Community Vaccine Advisory Committee
Meeting #5
December 23, 2020
2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Welcome to the Community Vaccine Advisory Committee

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Acting State Health Officer, Co-Chair

Nadine Burke Harris, MD, MPH,  
California Surgeon General, Co-Chair
Meeting Process

• All meetings will be virtual and interactive; cameras on; mute until ready to speak
• Use hand raise icon when you are ready to make comments/ask questions
• Consistent attendance by members; no delegates or substitutes
• Today we will be having ASL Interpreter and closed captioning for members
• Website - https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/Pages/COVID-19/Community-Vaccine-Advisory-Committee.aspx
• Public listen-in mode via telephone at each meeting in English and Spanish
• Meeting will now be live-streamed on YouTube – https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKNEUkIwtIc_kPenEZMUIOw
• Public comment via written comments COVID19VaccineOutreach@cdph.ca.gov; will be discussed with Committee at subsequent meetings; all public comments received will be posted weekly on the CDPH website
• Technical issues with Zoom – put questions in chat
Opening Comments

Nadine Burke Harris, MD, MPH,
California Surgeon General, Co-Chair

Erica Pan, MD, MPH,
Acting State Health Officer, Co-Chair
Summary of Public Comments Since Meeting #4
Discussion of Phase 1b Recommendations

Oliver Brooks, MD
Rob Schechter, MD

Co-Chairs, Drafting Guidelines Workgroup
Recap
Drafting Guidelines Workgroup Review

Allocation criteria: risk-based

• Phase 1a groups prioritized by risk of members’
  • acquiring infection
  • severe sickness and death
  • negative societal impact
  • spreading disease

• Assessed essential worker sectors by
  • Occupational exposure
  • Equity
  • Societal Impact
  • Economic impact

• Review of
  • Limited data on risks of Covid-19 in different sectors
  • Economic analysis
Criteria Suggested at 11/30 CVAC Meeting by Members

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<th>Societal impact of job (examples include)</th>
<th>Equity including (examples include)</th>
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<td>• Necessary for survival/daily living basics/safety</td>
<td>• Economic necessity</td>
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<td>• Scarcity of workers</td>
<td>• Disproportional impact on already disadvantaged communities</td>
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<td>• Parents losing jobs because no school/limited childcare (women disproportionately affected)</td>
<td>• Increased pressure on racial and ethnic communities</td>
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<td>• Stability of safe functioning of communities</td>
<td>• Deepening health and educational disparities</td>
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<td>• Education of next generation</td>
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<td>• Caring for people who cannot care for themselves</td>
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**Impact on economy (examples include)**

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<td>• Scarcity of workers</td>
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<td>• Wage and price stability</td>
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<td>• Indirect support of economy, i.e., schools, child care, families</td>
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Phase 1b: Leading Candidates For Tier 1 Sectors

Alphabetical order - not further ranked

- Education & Child Care
  1.4 M Workers
- Emergency Services
  1.1 M workers
- Food and Agriculture
  3.4 M workers
ACIP Meeting 12/20/20
ACIP Vote – Interim Recommendation

As an update to ACIP recommendations for vaccination in Phase 1a (health care personnel, and long-term care facility residents), if COVID-19 vaccine supply is limited, the following groups should be offered vaccination:

**Phase 1b**: persons aged ≥75 years and frontline essential workers

**Phase 1c**: persons aged 65–74 years, persons aged 16–64 years with high-risk medical conditions, and other essential workers
ACIP: Balancing Goals

Reducing severe illness

• 1A: Long Term Care
• 1B: Age 75 years and older
• 1C: Age 65-74 years
• Age <65 years and high risk medical conditions

Societal Functioning

• 1A: Health care settings
• 1B: Frontline Essential Workers
• 1C: Other Essential workers
Balancing Goals

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Societal Functioning

Societal Impact, Equity, Economic Impact

• Health care settings
• Frontline Essential Workers
• Other Essential workers
ACIP Proposed Phases

Proposed Phases of COVID-19 Vaccination

16-64 years with high-risk medical conditions (>110M)

16-64 years Without high-risk medical conditions (<86M)

Essential Workers

65-74 years (32M)

Frontline

75+ years (21M)

HCP

LTCF

Phase 1a  Phase 1b  Phase 1c  Phase 2
ACIP Proposal – Phase 1b

Compare and contrast

Frontline Essential Workers:
- Education
- Emergency Services
  - Fire, Police, Corrections
- Food & Agriculture
  - Including grocery store workers

Also proposed by ACIP
Frontline Essential Workers:
- Manufacturing
- Transportation & Logistics - subset
  - Postal service
  - Public transit

Persons 75 years and older

Not proposed by ACIP for 1b
- Others at potential higher risk in California
COVID-19 mortality rates are highest in older adults

National Estimate of COVID-19 Deaths per 100,000 Population, by Age Group – Data through Dec 16, 2020

- 85+: 1,118.3
- 75-84: 366.2
- 65-74: 143.5
- 50-64: 50.6
- 40-49: 15.7
- 30-39: 6.3
- 18-29: 2.2
- 5-17: 0.2
- 0-4: 0.3

Coronavirus cases are skewing younger, but older Californians make up a vast majority of the deaths

Californians 65 and older comprise 16% of the state's population but just 11% of coronavirus infections, and a whopping 75% of deaths. By contrast, Californians 18-34 are 24% of the population, 35% of cases, and just 1% of all coronavirus deaths.

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<th>% Cases</th>
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<td>80+</td>
<td>3.9%</td>
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Based on cumulative totals as of July 27, 2020.
Chart: By: Harriet Blair Rowan - Bay Area News Group - Source: California Department of Public Health - Created with Datawraper

Proposals
Proposed Populations for Phase 1b

During Phase 1b of allocation, COVID-19 vaccine should also be offered to the following persons in California:

- **Persons at risk of exposure** to SARS-CoV-2 through:
  - Their work in any role in selected California Essential Critical Infrastructure Sectors or
  - Residence in selected settings

- Persons 75 years of age and older
- Persons aged 65–74 years with medical conditions or disabilities that place them at high risk of severe COVID-19
During Phase 1c of allocation, COVID-19 vaccine should also be offered to the following persons in California:

- Persons at risk of exposure to SARS-CoV-2 through their work in any role in California Essential Critical Infrastructure Sectors not included in Phase 1b
- Persons 65-74 years of age not included in Phase 1b
- Persons aged 16–64 years with medical conditions or disabilities that place them at high risk of severe COVID-19
### Proposed Phase 1b, Est. Populations, Millions

*(Total sector size – but not all workers at occupational risk)*

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<td>Severe Illness</td>
<td>75+ years of age, all 2.6</td>
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<td>65-74 years, high-risk 2.5</td>
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<td>Congregate settings with outbreak risk</td>
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<td>Incarcerated 0.2</td>
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<td>Experiencing Homelessness 0.1</td>
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<td>65-74 years, remainder</td>
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<td>16–64 years, high-risk</td>
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(Total sector size – but not all workers at occupational risk)
Estimates last week from HHS

(Phase 1a - ~2.5 M)

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<th>Month</th>
<th>New 1st Doses (people)</th>
<th>Cumulative</th>
<th>Sufficient Doses for Phases...</th>
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<td>December</td>
<td>&lt;2.5 M</td>
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<td>January</td>
<td>3.75 M</td>
<td>6.25 M</td>
<td>1B**</td>
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<td>February</td>
<td>6.25 M</td>
<td>12.5 M</td>
<td>1B (some 1C?)</td>
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<td>Spring, Summer</td>
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**For Phase 1B, LHDs will be preparing for vaccination (e.g., by enrolling providers, etc.) in beginning to mid-January. Populations in Phase 1B will start to be vaccinated mid-to-late January as determined by the LHD in partnership with CDPH."
Next Steps
Possible criteria for subprioritization (not ranked)

• Level of occupational exposure

• Risk of severe disease or death within occupation
  • Advanced age or underlying medical conditions

• Live or work in disadvantaged communities disproportionately affected by the pandemic

• Likelihood of spreading disease to coworkers and the public

• Others?
Transitioning Between Phases

- Strategy for transitioning between phases will be necessary to move to the next phase as **supply increases** and **exceeds demand** for the current phase.
- Phases may **overlap**; not necessary to fully complete vaccination in one phase before moving to the next phase.
- Decisions on moving to the next phase made at a **state/local** level.
Example of a possible Phase 1 sequence
How to reach prioritized persons?

• Outreach, education, counseling

• Access to COVID019 vaccine in an expanding mix of locations
  • Routine sites of care
  • Designated clinics in the community
  • Workplace-based immunization

• In all aspects, partnerships in the community will be crucial
Discussion
Operationalizing Distribution of Vaccines with Local Health Departments

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Health Officer, Mariposa County Health and Human Services Agency

Kim Saruwatari, MPH
Director, Riverside University Health System-Public Health
Public Health at the Local Level

- 61 Separate Local Health Jurisdictions (LHJs)
  - 58 counties, 3 cities
- May be organized as stand alone or part of a “superagency”
  - Scope of work varies
    - Must address the ten essential public health services
    - Builds around a core of equity
  - May include direct patient services
Coordinated with State Efforts

- **California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO)**
  - Established in statute in 1947 to advise policymakers on all matters affecting health.
  - The mission is to prevent disease and improve the health of all California residents.

- **County Health Executives Association of California (CHEAC)**
  - Statewide organization of county and city Health Department and Agency Directors, who are responsible for a broad range of local public health and indigent health care services.

- **Health Officers Association of California (HOAC)**
  - Membership organization representing the physician health officers in California’s city and county jurisdictions.
California has a long history of vaccinating individuals
Vaccine Administration

• Most (but not all) LHJs do some form of vaccine administration
  • Many do ‘mass vax’ influenza clinics
  • Others partner with other providers to ensure vaccination in their jurisdictions
  • Vaccines for Children (VFC) provides another network for immunization resources
Vaccination Efforts in California

• Decades long partnership between CDPH, LHJs, public and private providers

  • Example: Between 2014 and 2016, California bought more than ten million doses of ACIP recommended vaccines per year with VFC funds. VFC-purchased vaccines are distributed through both public and private healthcare providers who enroll as VFC providers.

  • Example: Over 1,515,910 doses of vaccine (all types) administered in Riverside County between January 1, 2020 and December 21, 2020 by public and private providers

• Robust Vaccine Infrastructure
## California Immunization Registry Participation

...as of 2016

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<th>6 to 18 years</th>
<th>19+ years</th>
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<td>Estimated CA Population</td>
<td>3,024,392</td>
<td>6,620,697</td>
<td>30,141,371</td>
<td>39,786,460</td>
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<td>Patients in CAIR</td>
<td>3,221,551</td>
<td>6,696,345</td>
<td>14,343,968</td>
<td>24,261,864</td>
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<td>% Population in CAIR*</td>
<td>106.5%</td>
<td>101.1%</td>
<td>47.6%</td>
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<td>Total Doses in CAIR</td>
<td>35,547,972</td>
<td>118,139,375</td>
<td>67,855,679</td>
<td>221,542,926</td>
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*Can be higher than 100% due to limitations in population estimates and/or duplicate entries.
COVID-19 Vaccine
Step 1: CA Local Health Departments

1. Review enrolled providers
2. Review CDPH prioritization guidance
3. Allocate vaccine doses to enrolled providers according to guidance
4. Approve orders and forward them to CDPH for processing
Steps 2-5

State and Federal Roles in Vaccine Administration — Counties maintain situational awareness of the process
Step 6: California Providers

Receive vaccine → Store vaccine according to cold-chain requirements → Administer vaccine

For at least the initial distribution of vaccines, LHJs are serving as recipients and will redistribute to vaccinators in their jurisdictions. Some hospitals will receive vaccine directly.
Ensuring Equitable Distribution

• COVID Vaccine Plans done at the state and LHJ levels
  • Identified at risk populations
  • “With an eye on equitable distribution, how do you plan on reaching other populations that will need vaccinations in subsequent phases?”

• Adhere as best practicable to the established CDC and CDPH tiers
  • Phase 1a – fairly straightforward
  • Phase 1b – further delineation will be beneficial

• Monitor distribution
  • Both state and local plans call to look at data
  • Provide feedback to vaccinators on adherence to tiers and phases
Ensuring Equity – Local Examples

• Many LHJs have a Vaccine Equity Task Force
  • Example in Riverside County: Public Health, Emergency Management, Office on Aging, Social Services, CBOs, UCR, NAACP local chapter, FQHC, Tribal, Center on Deafness Inland Empire, Managed Care Provider
  • Add partners as we move through the phases/tiers

• Partnerships with CBOs to reach lowest equity quartile
  • Vaccination education and outreach
  • Assistance with vaccination clinics

• Bi-directional communication with Tier Groups
  • Example: Hospitals identified highest risk employees
  • Example: Use of surveys
Finding a Point of Contact at Your LHJ

- Department/Agency Director
- Health Officer
- Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) Program
- Vaccines/Immunizations Coordinator
- PH Department Operations Center Director
Closing Comments

• Next Meetings
  • January 6, 2021 from 3:00 – 6:00 pm
  • January 20, 2021 from 3:00 – 6:00 pm
  • February 3, 2021 from 3:00 – 6:00 pm
  • February 17, 2021 from 3:00 – 6:00 pm

• Agenda for Next Meeting

• How to Make Public Comment: COVID19VaccineOutreach@cdph.ca.gov

• Adjourn