



MEMORANDUM

Date: November 8, 2021

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: Jan Lasher 
Chief Deputy County Administrator

Re: **Booster Availability in the Green Valley Area**

During the Board of Supervisor's Meeting on November 2, Supervisor Christy requested details about the strategy to deliver booster vaccinations to older individuals in the Green Valley area.

Long-term care resident vaccination continues to rely on federal contractors, specifically Walgreens and CVS, to provide the majority of the coverage to populations living in those settings. The bulk of these residents received the Moderna vaccine, which only recently has been approved for booster dosing. Individual facilities have been asked to contact their appropriate pharmacy contact to work out the scheduling and logistics. As in the initial vaccine roll out, gaps are inevitable and the Health Department is prepared to monitor the process and fill in the gaps as they are identified.

Homebound seniors are served through existing contractors that deliver vaccination in their domicile. Seniors may request this service by visiting the Pima County vaccine website at any time and clicking on a registration link. Alternatively, they are able to call 520-222-0119 during business hours to be manually registered. Upon registration the information is provided to our contractor and the patient is scheduled. As of this Monday, 142 homebound Green Valley community members have been served through this process.

Able-bodied seniors residing in the Green Valley area have abundant additional options for booster vaccination. As is the case in the rest of Pima County, the bulk of vaccines are now currently being conveniently delivered in community retail pharmacies. There are 8 different individual retail pharmacy outlets (listed in the table below) that are ready to provide booster and other vaccinations. Seniors can also avail themselves of COVID-19 vaccinations provided by United Community Health Center. This partner provides COVID-19 vaccines at 3 sites in Green Valley (including adjacent to Santa Cruz Valley Hospital, as well as additional sites in Arivaca and Amado).

Retail Pharmacy Vaccine Outlets

CVS Pharmacy	240 W. Continental Rd., Green Valley, Arizona
Fry's Pharmacy	15950 S. Rancho Sahuarita Blvd., Sahuarita, Arizona
Safeway	1307 W. Duval Mine Rd., Green Valley, Arizona
Safeway	260 W. Continental Rd., Green Valley, Arizona
Walgreens	18604 S. Nogales Hwy., Green Valley, Arizona
Walgreens	313 W. Esperanza Blvd., Green Valley, Arizona
Walgreens	375 W. Continental Rd., Green Valley, Arizona
Walmart	18680 S. Nogales Hwy., Green Valley, Arizona

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Local volunteers interested in assisting their neighbors have an important role in this community, especially for seniors who are intimidated by on-line registration and appointment processes. Volunteers can provide critical assistance and technical support. Additionally, for those that are not able to safely drive to vaccine sites, transportation assistance can really facilitate the vaccination process for some seniors. Neighbors assisting neighbors is something that Green Valley is well known for and we expect to see a lot of creative efforts in this space.

Largely through the efforts of so many local partners and volunteers, was some of the most highly vaccinated census tracts in Pima County.

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