AMENDED ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
DIRECTING VACCINE PROVIDERS’ ADMINISTRATION OF COVID-19 VACCINES

I hereby amend my Order dated February 12, 2021, directing Vaccine Providers’ Administration of COVID-19 Vaccines, as follows:

Section 3 is amended by adding the following new subsections as follows:

C. A Vaccine Provider who has received first dose allocations of Vaccine for at least the two previous weeks prior to the effective date of this Subsection shall use best efforts to schedule appointments for every individual eligible under Phase 1A of the Department's Interim Vaccine Plan who requests an appointment. This shall include all eligible individuals, including those outside of the Vaccine Provider’s current patient network.

1. For purposes of this Subsection, eligible individuals do not include those individuals receiving vaccine through special initiatives for Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine.

2. By March 31, 2021, a Vaccine Provider who has received first dose allocations of Vaccine for at least the two previous weeks prior to the effective date of this Subsection shall contact by phone or email every individual for whom it has contact information and offer that individual an appointment.

3. Nothing in this Subsection shall require a Vaccine Provider to schedule appointments required under this Subsection for a time prior to March 31, 2021.

4. A Vaccine Provider under this subsection shall schedule appointments as far into the future as necessary to accommodate all Phase 1A individuals requesting appointments and in anticipation of receiving similar allocations to that received in the two previous weeks prior to the effective date of this Subsection.

a. A Vaccine Provider under this Subsection may not refuse to schedule an appointment for a Phase 1A individual regardless of how far in the future it is needed to make the appointment due to the volume of appointments.

b. A Vaccine Provider under this Subsection may not include in its messaging, including on its website or telephone line, that no appointments are available. A Vaccine Provider under this subsection who informs a Phase 1A individual that no appointments are available is in violation of this Order and may be subject to the enforcement actions under Section 5 (relating to enforcement).
5. In addition to the other requirements of this Subsection, a Vaccine Provider under this Subsection shall coordinate, when requested by the Department or its representative, with either of the following to schedule appointments for adults eligible under Phase 1A:

   a. The applicable local Area Agency on Aging.

   b. The applicable Medical Assistance Managed Care Organization(s).

Coordination shall include, at a minimum, the requirement to schedule an appointment for an individual referred to the Vaccine Provider by either the local Area Agency on Aging or the Medical Assistance Managed Care Organization(s).


   This Amended Order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on March 26, 2021, and shall remain in effect until further notice.

GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the city of Harrisburg, on this twenty-fifth day of March two thousand twenty-one, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred and forty-fifth.

TOM WOLF
Governor