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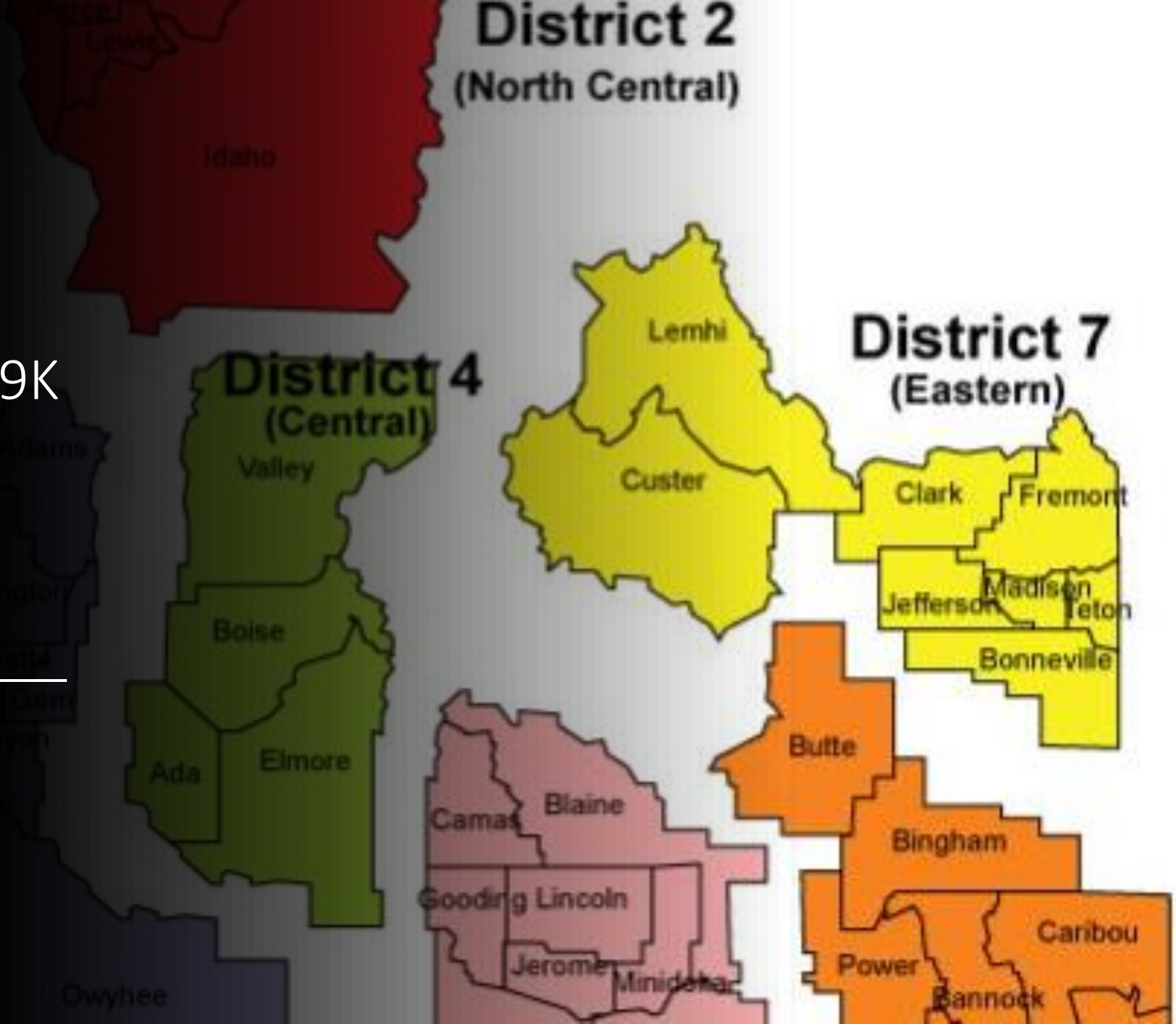
# **Idaho COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee (CVAC) Update**

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**District 2**  
(North Central)

**District 4**  
(Central)

**District 7**  
(Eastern)

Month	Focus	Challenges	Successes
December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Long Term-Care Facilities</li> <li>• Vaccine distribution to hospitals</li> <li>• Priority group 1</li> <li>• Clinics provided 7 days a week.</li> <li>• Clinic logistics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connecting with clinic staff over the holidays</li> <li>• HCW apprehension being the “first” vaccinated</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership with an EMS agency for end of day doses</li> <li>• Early vaccination of several long-term care facilities</li> </ul>
January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuation of early targeted priority groups.</li> <li>• Expanded to education and K-12 school staff and teachers</li> <li>• Connected School districts with partners for “large” clinics. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Including rural school districts</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Implemented the Health Departments own “large” clinics</li> <li>• Developed a plan for Medical Reserve Corp and other volunteers in clinics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clarifying “ education staff”</li> <li>• Some partners struggled with logistics of a “large” clinic</li> <li>• <b>Managing second dose no-shows &amp; reschedules</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Successful test run of online link for school staff to schedule their appointments directly through our EMR</b></li> <li>• Throughput for large clinics was much higher than anticipated.</li> </ul>

# February 1<sup>st</sup>

## Focus

- 65+
- Managing high demand and limited vaccine
- Messaging
- Scheduling

## Challenges

- Process of scheduling that had been successful for other priority groups had flaws
- Successful 65+ kick off February 1<sup>st</sup>
  - 739 vaccinations given
    - 24 staff and volunteers/9 hours
  - Mostly 65+ population
  - Creative flow to assist physical distancing
  - Largest clinic since 2/1 EIPH vaccinated 1049 individuals

# New Process for scheduling

- EIPH had started a notification list in December
- February EIPH created and messaged a “wait list”
  - Included the prior notification list
  - Individuals were directed to sign-up (calling/online)
  - February 11, 2021
    - The combined notification and wait list “pulled”
    - Deduplicated and Sorted randomly
  - ~10,000 individuals (after 3000 already scheduled/vaccinated)
    - Created staff script
      - Included confirmation appts for both 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> dose
      - Prescreening
      - Process allowed spouse/partner to also schedule
    - Staff begin calling.....
- February 12, 2021
  - Process change 😊
  - Call-em and Text-em all
- February 18, 2021
  - 2/3 through list
  - Some counties current list is complete
  - Still having individuals submit to the wait list

## Eastern Idaho Public Health's COVID-19 Vaccine Waiting List for 65 & Older (After 2-10-2021)

In Idaho, people aged 65 and older became eligible to start receiving COVID-19 vaccinations beginning on February 1. **Vaccine supply continues to be extremely limited in Idaho and EIPH's eight-county health district** (Bonneville, Clark, Custer, Fremont, Jefferson, Lemhi, Madison, and Teton Counties). We are currently receiving approximately 2,500 doses of vaccine each week. The population of individuals aged 65+ in our health district is just over 30,000. As you can see, it may take up to 14 weeks for us to be able to serve everyone in this priority group who wishes to be vaccinated.

By completing and submitting this form, you will be placed on our waiting list for a COVID-19 vaccination appointment. Eastern Idaho Public Health **WILL CALL OR TEXT YOU** (based on your selection below) between February 22-26 to let you know of your available appointment. Spouses will be allowed to schedule appointments together.

### County \*

- Bonneville       Clark       Custer       Fremont  
 Jefferson       Lemhi       Madison       Teton

### Name \*

First

Last

Age

Phone \*

How would you like to be notified when an appointment is available for you?

- Text     Phone Call

**Eastern Idaho Public Health WILL CALL OR TEXT YOU (based on your selection below) when an appointment becomes available for you. You can expect the call or text between February 22-26, 2021.**

Thank you for your submission!



# Concerns & Thinking Ahead

- 65+ overlap with next priority group
- Logistics of 2<sup>nd</sup> dose rescheduling and no shows
- Vaccine shipping delays
- Smaller counties priority groups being completed earlier than more populous counties
- 2.3
  - Managing volume
  - Stratification & equitable distribution
  - Confirmation of a priority group “individual”

