



# **COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee**

***March 5, 2021***

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| 12:00 – 12:05 | <b>Meeting Overview</b><br>Monica Revoczi   |
| 12:05 – 12:20 | <b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b><br>Dr. Patrice Burgess, Chair<br>Elke Shaw-Tulloch, Executive Secretary  |
| 12:20 – 12:40 | <b>COVID-19 Vaccine Progress: National and State</b><br>Dr. Christine Hahn<br>Sarah Leeds   |
| 12:40 – 12:50 | <b>Further Clarification of Idaho Group 2: Discussion and Votes</b><br>Elke Shaw-Tulloch, Executive Secretary<br>Dr. Patrice Burgess, Chair   |
| 12:50 – 1:50  | <b>Idaho Priority Group 3: Further Considerations, Discussion, and Votes</b><br>Elke Shaw-Tulloch, Executive Secretary<br>Dr. Patrice Burgess, Chair  |
| 1:50 – 2:00   | <b>Wrap Up</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a) Meeting summary</li><li>b) Action items and next steps</li><li>c) Next meeting date, topics, and preparation</li><li>d) Closing remarks and adjourn</li></ul> |
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# Welcome

Dr. Patrice Burgess, Chair

Elke Shaw-Tulloch, Executive Secretary



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## CVAC Decisions that have been made

- 11/06/20 Early distribution of vaccine to our existing ultra cold storage facilities
- 11/20/20 Approved 1a (Healthcare Personnel and LTCF)
- 12/04/20 Recommended activation of the CDC Pharmacy LTCF Partnerships
- 12/04/20 Approved and sub-prioritized Group 2 (ACIP Phase 1b) - Essential Workers
- 12/18/20 Finalized sub-prioritization - Healthcare Personnel & LTCF Staff & Residents
- 1/04/21 Finalized further clarifications to Healthcare Personnel & LTCF Staff & Residents
- 1/08/21 Voted to include 65+ with frontline essential workers in Idaho Group 2
- 1/22/21 Voted on further clarifications Idaho Group 1 and 2
- 2/05/21 Voted on further clarifications Idaho Group 1 and 2
- **2/19/21 Voted on further clarifications Idaho Group 2, began work on Idaho Group 3**

## Decisions needed today

- Discuss and VOTE on more clarifications for Idaho Group 2
- Discuss and VOTE on Idaho Group 3



- Meetings will be open to the public, in a “listen-only” mode. **Public comments** will only be accepted in writing, to a designated email box and comments will be distributed to the members of the committee prior to each meeting, if comments are received by the Monday at noon prior to CVAC Friday meetings.
- ASL Interpreters will be provided at all CVAC meetings. Attendees can pin the interpreter videos by scrolling over their videos, clicking on the three dots in the top right of the video, and selecting **lock a participant to this location**. Should you need the video larger, click on the **layout** option in the upper right-hand corner, then click on **full screen**. Once the full screen appears, a floating window of the panelists will show. You can increase the video size by dragging and expanding.

To submit comment to the COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee email:

[covid19vaccinepubliccomment@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:covid19vaccinepubliccomment@dhw.idaho.gov)

# Health Equity Plan



- **IDENTIFY.** Identify the populations most impacted
- **ENGAGE and COLLABORATE.** Engage and collaborate with leaders to promote vaccination uptake within their reach.
- **PARTNER.** Partner with stakeholders and partners from multiple fields and sectors that have a role in advancing vaccine equity.
- **COMMUNICATE.** Use effective communication strategies & approaches.
- **IMPROVE.** Improve access to vaccines at local community places
- **CONNECT.** Connect with the communities to learn about their communication & outreach preference
- **LISTEN.** Listen to learn. Incorporate information that addresses the communities' concerns into the communications messaging.
- **ADDRESS VACCINE HESITANCY AND ANTI-VACCINE VIEWS.** Understand the underlying reasons for vaccine hesitancy and anti-vaccinations and prepare to address them
- **INCLUDE.** Include voices from the populations most impacted

Idaho COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Landscape  
**Strategy for COVID-19 Vaccine Equity**

Approach	Activities
<p><b>IDENTIFY.</b> Identify the populations most impacted by COVID-19 and health inequities within Idaho.</p> <p><b>ENGAGE &amp; COLLABORATE.</b> Engage and collaborate with community, religious, and grassroots leaders in the vaccine equity plan to promote vaccination uptake within their reach.</p> <p><b>PARTNER.</b> Aligned to the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2) spectrum, engage w/stakeholders and partners from multiple fields and sectors that have a role in advancing vaccine equity.</p> <p><b>COMMUNICATE.</b> Use effective communication strategies/ approaches. Provide communication training for community leaders in their approach to communicate with members.</p> <p><b>IMPROVE.</b> Improve the convenience of accessing vaccines at local community places – e.g. schools, places of worship, cultural centers, etc.</p> <p><b>CONNECT.</b> Connect with the communities to learn about their communication &amp; outreach preference in order to tailor vaccine interventions to meet them where they are.</p> <p><b>LISTEN.</b> Realize that community concerns exist and listen to learn. Incorporate information that addresses the communities' concerns into the communications messaging.</p> <p><b>ADDRESS VACCINE HESITANCY AND ANTI-VACCINE VIEWS.</b> Understand the underlying reasons for vaccine hesitancy and anti-vaccinations and prepare to address them (Note: Approaches may not be effective towards those who already adopted anti-science views).</p> <p><b>INCLUDE.</b> Include voices from the populations most impacted by COVID-19 and health inequities in communication &amp; outreach efforts including social media / text messaging campaigns.</p>	<p>Identification approaches of Idaho's racial and ethnic, underserved, and rural communities include: social vulnerability tool, age demographics, race and ethnicity data, and other data sources to identify the who, where, and their status.</p> <p>In addition to collaboration with the Idaho COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee (CVAC), engage with community, religious, and grassroots leaders who are seen as a respective leader / figure in the populations they serve and support.</p> <p>Engage stakeholders and partners, including the populations impacted by health inequities, in the following areas of action:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Develop framework for equitable vaccine allocation in phases</li> <li>2. Identify and recruit vaccination providers</li> <li>3. Engage with communities that are disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, gather their feedback and collaborate with stakeholders and partners to address gaps and needs</li> <li>4. Enable community-informed policy and partnerships</li> <li>5. Collect and monitor vaccine distribution and administration data</li> </ol> <p>1. Language Access and Literacy – Ensure Idahoans have access to translated and low literacy materials in a timely manner. Translation services must be available. Information should be clear and culturally and linguistically appropriate.</p> <p>2. Accessibility – Ensure people with disabilities have access to information in appropriate formats and in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)</p> <p>3. Message in Appropriate Medium – Deliver information via culturally specific and culturally appropriate media outlets.</p> <p>4. Trusted Messengers – Communicate with communities through trusted local stakeholders, community-based organizations and leaders.</p> <p>5. Trauma-Informed Communications – Recognize traumas people experience due to marginalization, inequity, and other structural factors. Avoid language and messages that exacerbate these inequities.</p> <p>6. Involve Communities in the Development of Communications – Collaborate with community members to develop messages and communications products that resonate with and are accessible to intended communities.</p> <p>Seven Point Modality Planning for Vaccine Distribution and Administration:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Healthcare Systems</li> <li>2. Pharmacies</li> <li>3. Local Public Health (LPH) and Tribal Clinic Vaccination Sites</li> <li>4. Mobile Vaccination Strike Teams: LPH, Tribes, &amp; IDNG</li> <li>5. Employer-Based Covid Pod</li> <li>6. Community-Based Pop-Up Vaccination Clinics (LPH or IDNG)</li> <li>7. Local Public Health / Emergency Management Operated High-Throughput Mass Vaccination Sites</li> </ol> <p>1. Participate as active member on Neighbors United Taskforce</p> <p>2. Participate in Nampa Hispanic &amp; Latino COVID-19 Taskforce</p> <p>3. Participate in calls with PHDs to learn about community's voices</p> <p>4. Participate in upcoming annual conference (March 9, 2021) of the Idaho Office for Refugees related to COVID-19 topics</p> <p>Follow process flow for incorporating community voices into communications messaging:</p> <pre> graph LR     A[Community expresses validated concerns.] --&gt; B[Concerns weighed, considered, &amp; handed off to IDPH Health Equity Workgroup.]     B --&gt; C[Workgroup conducts due diligence and collaborates with IDPH Communications.]     C --&gt; D[Community information is incorporated into the communications messaging.]     </pre> <p>Address vaccine hesitancy and anti-vaccine views by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Collaborating with Governor's Office and GS Strategy Group</li> <li>2. Collaborating with CVAC</li> <li>3. Collaborating with community, religious, and grassroots leaders</li> </ol> <p>Inclusion of voices start with:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Engaging COVID-19 champions (within the populations most impacted by COVID-19 and health inequities) who are already actively on various communication platforms</li> <li>2. Collaborate with the champions to ensure consistency in aligned messaging</li> <li>3. Provide approved messaging resources and materials to promote aligned messaging</li> </ol>

**Idaho COVID-19 Vaccine Equity Landscape**

**Populations most impacted by COVID-19 and health inequities:**

1. Members of Idaho's federally recognized tribes, Native Americans, and Alaska Natives
2. African American, Black, and African
3. Hispanic, LatinX
4. People living in congregate living sites including prisons and jails
5. Homeless
6. Farmworkers, migrant workers
7. LGBTQ+
8. Linguistically diverse
9. Immigrants, refugees, asylum seekers
10. Homebound
11. Undocumented
12. People living in rural parts of the state
13. Economically disadvantaged
14. Asian, Pacific Islanders
15. People with access and functional needs, people with disabilities
16. Aging populations and older adults

**Idaho COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee (CVAC) Membership:**

1. AAHP Idaho
2. Abertons Companies, Inc
3. American Immunization Registry Association
4. Association of Professionals in Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology
5. Badger Correctional Medicine
6. Boise State University
7. Cascade Healthcare
8. Center of Community & Justice
9. Clearwater Valley Hospital
10. College of Idaho
11. Department of Education
12. Division of Behavioral Health, IDPH
13. Division of Medicaid, IDPH
14. Division of Public Health, IDPH
15. Eastern Idaho Public Health
16. Family Medicine Residency of Idaho
17. Idaho Academy of Physician's Assistants
18. Idaho Board of Medicine
19. Idaho Board of Nursing
20. Idaho Board of Pharmacy
21. Idaho Board of Nursing
22. Idaho Center of Nursing
23. Idaho Commission on Aging
24. Idaho Commission on Hispanic Affairs
25. Idaho Department of Corrections
26. Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (IDHW)
27. Idaho Department of Insurance
28. Idaho EMS Physician Commission
29. Idaho Hospital Association
30. Idaho Immunization Coalition
31. Idaho Office for Refugees
32. Idaho Office of Emergency Management
33. Idaho Primary Care Association
34. Idaho Rebounds Committee
35. Idaho School Boards Association
36. Idaho State Dental Association
37. Just 4 Kids Urgent Care
38. Kootenai Health
39. Kootenai Medical Center
40. Nez Perce Tribal Executive Committee
41. Pacific Source
42. Postnet Medical Center
43. Primary Health Medical Group
44. Saint Alphonsus Health System
45. Saint Alphonsus Medical Group
46. Sawtooth Epidemiology and Infectious Diseases
47. St. Edward the Confessor Parish
48. St. Luke's Health System
49. St. Luke's Wood River
50. State Independent Living Council
51. West Valley Medical Center

**Includes:** Kootenai Tribe of Idaho | Coeur d'Alene Tribe | Shoshone-Bannock Tribes | Shoshone-Paiute Tribes | NW Portland Area Indian Health Board | St. Joseph's Regional Medical Center

**Idaho Department of Health & Welfare**

**Plan for Equitable Distribution of COVID-19 Vaccine**

ALIGNMENT

**Idaho COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee | Principles**

- Ethical frameworks
- Risk of severe disease or death (e.g., because of age, medical conditions, race or ethnicity)
- Risk of exposure to COVID-19-infected persons based on occupation, the ability to physically distance, access to personal protective equipment (PPE), and living circumstances (e.g., congregate or crowded living conditions)
- Risk of exposing others who are at increased risk of severe disease or death (e.g., live with or caregiver for those at increased risk)
- Impact of occupation on resuming community functioning
- Maintenance of community safety, including law and order





# **COVID-19 Vaccine Progress: National and State**

Dr. Christine Hahn  
Sarah Leeds



## Further Clarifications for Idaho Group 2

Elke Shaw-Tulloch  
Dr. Patrice Burgess



# **Idaho Group 3: Further Considerations and Discussion**

Elke Shaw-Tulloch  
Dr. Patrice Burgess



- Meeting summary
- Action items and next steps
- Next meeting date and anticipated topics
- Closing remarks and adjourn



## Upcoming scheduled meetings

- March 12, 2021 @ 12:00 – 1:00 pm
- March 19, 2021 @ 12:00 – 2:00 pm
- March 26, 2021 @ 12:00 – 1:00 pm



Dr. Patrice Burgess, Committee Chair

Elke Shaw-Tulloch, Executive Secretary