

TO: All NKC Patients
RE: COVID-19 Vaccinations
DATE: February 8, 2021

Northwest Kidney Centers has been approved by the Washington State Department of Health to be a vaccine provider for the COVID-19 vaccine. We have requested allocation from the State to vaccinate our patients. The state informs each provider each week how much vaccine they will receive. The vaccine allotment is shipped to providers each Monday or Tuesday of the week, with the amount allocated for that provider.

Northwest Kidney Centers must follow the Washington State phase guidelines for vaccine administration. Washington State is currently in Phase 1b - Tier 1 which includes:

- All People 65 years and older
- People 50 years of age and older in multi-generational households: This means you are being cared for by a relative, in home caregiver or someone who works outside the home OR you are living with and taking care of kin. This means that there are two or more generations in the home.

Once NKC receives vaccine, we will call you and let you know when you will be vaccinated. This will take place during one of your regular dialysis clinic visits. We have developed teams of NKC nurses and doctors who will be traveling to each NKC clinic to vaccinate you.

If you have already received dose 1 and/or dose 2 of the COVID-19 vaccine, please let your care team know so we keep an accurate immunization record for you! Thank you.

If you have *any* questions please do not hesitate to ask your care team.



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