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Registration now open for Michigan COVID-19 vaccination clinic at Ford Field

LANSING MICH. Michiganders can now begin registering for the COVID-19 vaccination clinic at Ford Field in Detroit. The community vaccination site is set to officially open on March 24.

After the registration process is completed, people who have registered will receive an invitation either by "voice or text when it's their turn to schedule the appointment. Vaccine appointments will be scheduled a few days in advance.

"The Ford Field community vaccination site is a testament to what we can do when we work together," said **Governor Whitmer**. "I am grateful for President Biden's leadership and for the partnership of the Detroit Lions, Meijer, Wayne County, the City of Detroit, and our federals partners at FEMA. We will keep ramping up our equitable vaccine rollout, and with the addition of the Ford Field community site, we are taking a significant step towards returning to normal as we continue rebuilding our economy."

The Ford Field site will operate from 8 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., seven days a week, for eight weeks under the federal government's vaccination pilot program. The facility will be managed by the State of Michigan with support from FEMA, Wayne County, the City of Detroit, Ford Field, Meijer, Henry Ford Health System and the Detroit Lions.

"This mass vaccination site will accelerate Michigan's efforts to reach its goal of vaccinating 70% of Michiganders ages 16 and older with the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine," said **Kerry Ebersole Singh**, Protect Michigan Commission director. "We urge Michiganders to get the safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine today."

All COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. Sign-up is available through these three options:

- 1. Online at clinic.meijer.com/register/CL2021
- 2. Text EndCOVID to 75049
- 3. Call the MDHHS COVID-19 Hotline at 888-535-6136 (press 1)
 - a. Residents who don't have access to the internet or need assistance navigating through the registration process can use the MDHHS COVID-19 Hotline to register. Call Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is expected that the call center will have long wait times, so calling is recommended only people who cannot register online or by text.

The vaccine will be offered at no cost, and insurance is not required, nor will it be requested at the vaccination center. Any Michigan resident who is currently eligible to receive the vaccine under the

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Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) vaccine prioritization guidance will be able to register for an appointment.

Free parking will be available at the vaccination site. For those who indicate, during the registration process, they need assistance obtaining transportation to and from the vaccination site, the state is working to provide free of charge ride share options.

While vaccinations are ongoing, Michiganders are still encouraged to practice preventative measures including wearing a mask, social distancing, and frequent handwashing.

Michigan residents seeking more information about the COVID-19 vaccine should visit Michigan.gov/COVIDvaccine.

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