

Friends,

I wouldn't be emailing you the Friday before a holiday weekend if it wasn't important.

This morning my office had the opportunity to tour and observe the UCSD Vaccination Supersite at Petco Park, learning a wealth of information about this site and our vaccination efforts.

Here's what we learned:

Site Operations

The Petco Park vaccination site is open from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. daily, serving up to 5,000 Moderna vaccinations per day (over 400 an hour.) Staffed by UCSD professionals, the vaccination site works in two phases: phase one is check-in, phase two is vaccination.

All patients must make an appointment prior to arriving.

Once you arrive on-site, a staff member will check you into your appointment. From there you will be directed to another tent in which a medical professional will deliver the vaccination. After you receive the vaccination, you will then be required to wait 15 minutes to see if you develop any reactions and (optionally) register for the CDC side effect tracking app, <u>v-safe</u>. If you do develop a reaction (which is very uncommon) you will be moved to a separate area for further evaluation.

Additionally, while this is a drive-in site, it is able to accommodate those not in a vehicle.

Who is Eligible to Receive a Vaccine at Petco Park

Petco Park is currently only serving those in tier 1A. This includes healthcare workers and long-term care residents. State-wide, those 65+ are authorized for vaccination; however, at this time those in this group must contact their care provider to coordinate.

If you are not in tier 1A, please do not make an appointment. There is nothing technically preventing you from making an online appointment, but during onsite registration you will be turned away if you are not able to verify you are in tier 1A. *This is very important as every person turned away is one less available appointment slot.*

Making an Appointment

Residents can make an appointment via the County <u>website</u>. After you select your date and time, you will then be prompted to create a MyChart account. This is to track and remind you of the second dose. For those who already have a UCSD MyChart account, it will simply link to your existing profile; for newcomers, it will create a new profile within the system.

Appointments are 15 minutes apart and *if you make an appointment please show up, even if you are running late.*

Getting Involved

The most important thing you can do right now is wait your turn to keep appointments open for eligible recipients. The other important thing you can do is <u>register to volunteer</u>. UCSD is looking for people with all types of experience (medical, administrative, or none of the above) to help facilitate this operation. All that's asked is that you are able to commit to an 8-hour shift.



Through all this information, the one overarching theme is collaboration. I would like to take a moment to thank UCSD, the Padres, San Diego County, Ace Parking, public safety, and the countless amount of individuals and other organizations who have come together to make this come together. This supersite truly is remarkable, and it's because of private/public partnerships and creative thinking that it came to be.

Yours truly,



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