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Alabama continues to vaccinate more than 326,000 health care workers and nursing home residents who are most at-risk of contracting COVID-19. As the vaccine uptake for this category is satisfied, ADPH is now encouraging sites to vaccinate persons in the 75-plus age group and those in the law enforcement and firefighter vocations in order to prevent any loss of vaccine due to cold chain storage requirements.

To schedule an appointment for the free COVID-19 vaccination at a county health department, individuals may call the ADPH toll-free phone number at 1-855-566-5333. Telephone calls are answered from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. seven days a week. **Due to massive call volume, callers to the COVID-19 Vaccine Scheduling Hotline are encouraged to try their call again later if they get a busy signal. They are rapidly adding staff to assist callers and appreciate your patience.** Vaccination locations can be viewed in our <u>COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Toolkit</u>.

See the full alert from ADPH

COVID-19 Vaccine Sites



We remain dedicated to sending you the most timely and relevant information regarding COVID-19 vaccination locations and appointment details. Be sure to check our email alerts (sent out twice weekly) for the most updated information on where and how to get your vaccine! Please be aware that as the number of vaccine sites increases, it may be more difficult for us to verify small details regarding location hours, phone numbers, etc.

Some of the initial Pfizer and Moderna locations have already been provided with additional vaccines. You can find more information in our Vaccine Provider toolkit or use the links below:

Pfizer Sites

Moderna Sites - County Health Departments *Please use the tabs at the bottom of this document to navigate to your county. Moderna Sites - Urgent Care Centers Moderna Sites - Pharmacies Moderna Sites - Hospitals

Download the toolkit here

'Mask Up' Video Contest -Deadline Monday



The Alabama Department of Public Health, the Alabama Hospital Association and the Medical Association of the State of Alabama are sponsoring the "Mask Up Alabama" video contest. The contest is for Alabamians of all ages to share why they feel it is important to wear a mask.

The videos should be 30-second or less and need to highlight basic information related to maskwearing and COVID-19. The first-place winner will receive \$600, and the second and third place winners will receive \$400 and \$200 respectively.

The deadline for submissions is noon on Jan. 11. There is no fee to enter the contest and the full rules can be found below.

See contest information

COVID-19 Vaccine Survey



Have you received your COVID-19 vaccine? Why or why not?

This quick, two-question survey will take you less than a minute to complete, yet can help us figure out what Alabama physicians need from us. Have you had any trouble finding a location or getting an

appointment? Give us a few details about your experience so that we know how to best provide for our members and physicians throughout the state.

Fill out the survey here

Annual Session Updates -Call for Resolutions



I. Date and Location

April 16-17, 2021 Von Braun Center Embassy Suites Huntsville Room Rate is \$150 per night Hotel Room Block Deadline: March 17, 2021

To make hotel reservations, call (800) EMBASSY, and mention MAS.

The current plan is to hold the 2021 Annual Session in person, however, the meeting will be held virtually if it is determined that an in-person meeting cannot be held safely. The Board of Censors will make the final decision in January based on the status of the COVID-19 pandemic.

II. Deadline for Resolutions

January 16, 2021 Submit to: Alexis T. Mason, MD, Secretary-Treasurer 19 S. Jackson Street, Montgomery, AL 36104 <u>abarentine@alamedical.org</u> How to: For information on how to draft a resolution for consideration by the College of Counsellors and House of Delegates, please see the Guide to Developing Resolutions on our website and click on the Business Session/Caucus tab.

Find more information here

WHAT WE'RE READING

- Alabama Virtual Library aims to support medical students
- New COVID-19 strain now found in three states bordering Alabama •
- Physician Compensation Models in Light of Recent Stark Law Changes
- **The latest from Washington** •
- Moderna CEO says vaccine likely to protect for 'couple of years'



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