



## Hidalgo County Commissioners Court

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## NEWS RELEASE

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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### **Hidalgo County hosts COVID-19 mobile vaccine clinic in the Delta Area**

**ELSA** – Hidalgo County health officials, in conjunction with cities and school districts in the Delta Area, will be hosting a COVID-19 mobile community vaccine clinic in that area on Wednesday, Feb. 3, Hidalgo County Judge Richard F. Cortez said.

This clinic is a collaboration between Precinct 1; the cities of Edcouch, Elsa, and La Villa; as well as the Edcouch-Elsa, Monte Alto, and La Villa School Districts.

"We are pleased to host the county's first COVID-19 mobile vaccine clinic in the Delta area," said Hidalgo County Precinct 1 Commissioner David L. Fuentes. "We hope to continue reaching county residents by collaborating with cities and school districts to provide this much needed service."

The location will have 500 doses of the Moderna vaccine to distribute to the public and is available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

The clinic will be held at the Edcouch-Elsa Benny Layton Memorial Football Stadium, at Yellow Jacket Drive and Mile 17 North in Elsa. Hidalgo County Health and Human Services will begin administering the vaccinations on Wednesday, Feb 3, beginning at 8 a.m.

Onsite pre-registration will be from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb 2. at the Edcouch-Elsa Benny Layton Memorial Football Stadium; all those that pre-register and qualify for the vaccine will be given a bracelet to return to the same location the following day.

#### **The current qualifications include:**

- Health Care Professionals
- Anyone 65 years of age and older
- Anyone 18 years of age and older with at least one chronic medical condition that puts them at increased risk for severe illness from the virus that causes COVID-19, such as but not limited to:
  - *Cancer*
  - *Chronic kidney disease*
  - *COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)*
  - *Heart conditions, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease or cardiomyopathies*
  - *Solid organ transplantation*
  - *Obesity and severe obesity (body mass index of 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup> or higher)*
  - *Pregnancy*

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- *Sickle cell disease*
- *Type 2 Diabetes mellitus*

Anyone 18 and over, not including 65 years and over or healthcare workers, wanting to receive the vaccine will need to show up with medications, prescriptions, or doctor's note for proof of conditions outlined above.

### **Based on previous vaccine clinics health officials are advising the following:**

- Bring ID and proof of medical condition (current medication, a prescription from their doctor)
- Bring clearance letter from their physician
- People are encouraged to bring water and snacks
- There will be extended periods of waiting and sitting
- Children 18 and under should not be in the clinic
- Those seeking vaccines with mobility concerns may bring one person to help them
- If pregnant or lactating, have cancer or undergoing any immunosuppressive treatment or medication you must bring a doctor's notice allowing you to receive the vaccine
- Notices of US Doctors only
- Short sleeve encouraged

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