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Innovative Idea: Summit County Clinic Vaccinates More Than 600 Residents

Clinic held May 1 helped 640 individuals receive Johnson & Johnson vaccine

COLUMBUS – Summit County Public Health (SCPH) hosted a mass vaccination clinic on Saturday, May 1, where 640 individuals received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine at the Summit County Fairgrounds.

Summit County Public Health promoted the event by reaching out to the nearly 100,000 individuals on the vaccine information contact list compiled by the department to ensure everyone who had shown interest in a vaccination received information on the clinic. The department also conducted several media interviews, hosted a Facebook Live event at which health department leaders answered questions about the safety and efficacy of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine, and promoted the event on social media. The health department also worked with community partners to promote the event. Among those partners was Akron METRO Regional Transit Authority, which offered free rides to and from the vaccine clinic.

Innovative Ideas is a new feature from the Ohio Department of Health highlighting ways providers and organizations are encouraging COVID-19 vaccinations.

If you are interested in hosting your own clinic, the Ohio Department of Health has a toolkit for businesses and organizations available at <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/covid-19-vaccination-program/businesses-and-organizations>. This toolkit contains a collection of resources vaccine providers and Ohio employers and organizations can consider using to build partnerships across the state to offer convenient vaccinations to their employees and members.

All Ohioans age 16 and older are currently eligible to be vaccinated. Ohioans can find additional vaccination opportunities and schedule appointments by visiting gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov or by calling 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634). Walk-in appointments are available at many providers statewide. Anyone with questions regarding COVID-19 vaccination within the state of Ohio can learn more at coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine.

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