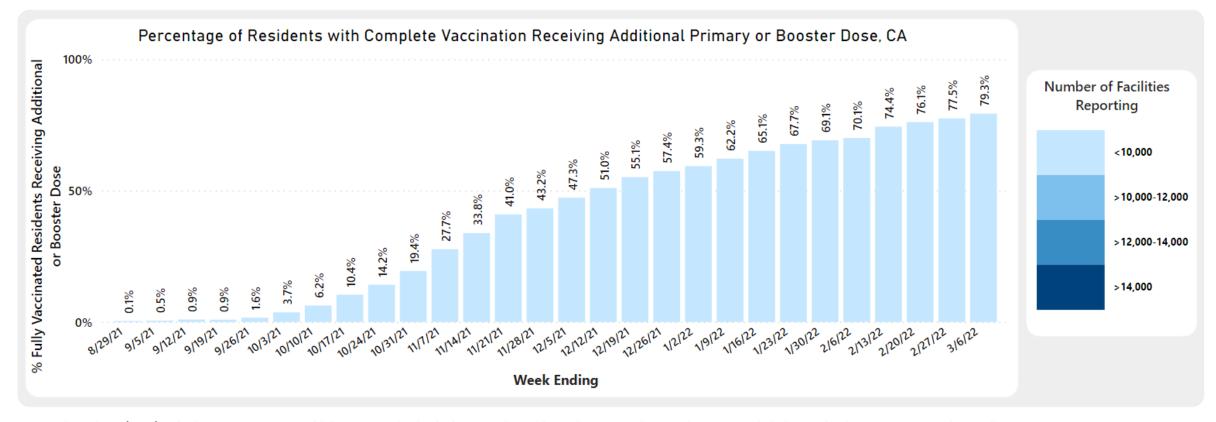
# COVID Vaccine Updates



## **CA SNF Booster Rates: Residents**



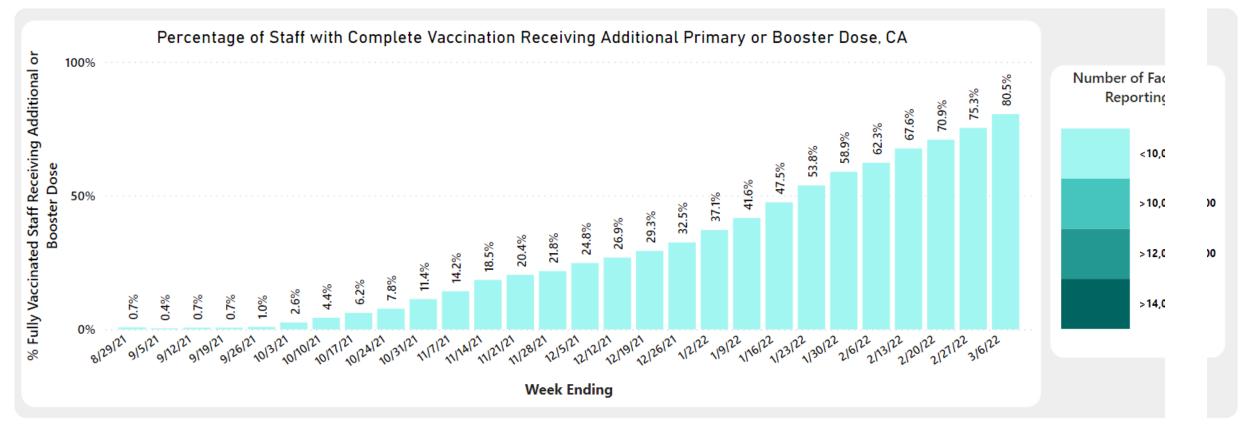
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### **Resources for administrators:**

 Long-term Care Administrators and Managers: Options for Coordinating Access to COVID-19 Vaccines (CDC)

### **Resources for LTCF HCP:**

• <u>Considerations for COVID-19 Vaccination of Healthcare</u> <u>Personnel and Long-Term Care Facility Residents (CDC)</u>





### **Resources for LTC Residents:**

- <u>COVID-19 Vaccines for Long-term Care Residents (CDC)</u> COVID-19 Vaccine Education:
- Addressing COVID-19 Vaccine Misconceptions (HHS)
- <u>Resources & Toolkits on COVID-19 Vaccine Education (HHS)</u>
- Talking to Recipients about COVID-19 Vaccination (CDC)



How can SNFs administer COVID-19 vaccines?

### Option 1: Enroll in myCAvax

# <u>Option 2</u>: Work with a long-term care pharmacy that allows sub-contracting

### Option 3: Do both!



## What is myCAvax?



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# Join California's fight against COVID-19

#### Enroll your organization in California's COVID-19 vaccination program

The myCAvax system is your organization's home for enrolling, ordering and tracking COVID-19 vaccine. If you are your organization's designated Organization Coordinator, start the enrollment process below.

#### Enroll your organization

Already registered? Log in now.





# Why should SNFs enroll in myCAvax?

- Any provider who stores or administers COVID-19 vaccines must enroll in myCAvax
  - Exception: Some LTC pharmacies allow sub-contracting of SNF staff to administer COVID-19 vaccine
- After enrollment:
  - You can administer COVID-19 vaccine with your staff
  - You can order COVID-19 vaccine in multiple ways:
    - Direct order from myCAvax
    - Continue to order it from your LTC pharmacy
- We strongly encourage you to enroll now!



## myCAvax Enrollment Facts

#### 1.) The enrollment process is much EASIER WITH HELP.

There are many ways to get <u>enrollment support</u> and walk you through the process, including videos, job aids and a provider helpline.

#### 2.) Providers DON'T need an ultra-cold freezer to store COVID-19 vaccine.

Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine products can be stored in routine refrigerators for up to 10 weeks.

#### 3.) Providers DON'T NEED TO worry too much about wasting COVID-19 vaccine.

Although some vaccine wastage is unavoidable, wastage is limited these days with the ability to order in smaller quantities, longer shelf life of vaccines and the possibility of redistributing vaccine through your local health jurisdiction.

#### 4.) Providers CAN receive reimbursement for educating about or administering COVID-19 vaccine.

Reimbursement for Medi-Cal patients is \$40 per dose administration and contracted rates for commercial insurance plans. In the near future, vaccine counseling for Medi-Cal patients will be a reimbursable benefit.

#### 5.) Providers DO need to enroll into the immunization registry for their county (CAIR2, Healthy Futures, SDIR\*).

There is support for enrollment, and many benefits to being enrolled beyond COVID-19 vaccines.

### Immunization Registry Enrollment Benefits

- To administer COVID-19 vaccines, you are required to enroll and report to your local immunization registry
  - California Immunization Registry (CAIR2): most counties
  - San Diego Immunization Registry (SDIR\*): San Diego
  - <u>Healthy Futures Immunization Registry</u>: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Mariposa, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne counties
- You can also use the registry to:
  - Look up COVID vaccination status of residents
  - Look up non-COVID vaccination status of residents (flu, pneumococcal, shingles, etc)

## Questions about SNF vaccine access?

• Please enter your questions into the chat!

### Helpful Resources

- myCAvax enrollment team: <u>COVIDCallCenter@cdph.ca.gov</u>
- CDPH LTC/Pharmacy Team: <u>COVIDVaccinePharm@cdph.ca.gov</u>
- <u>CDPH Long-Term Care COVID-19 Vaccine Toolkit</u>

