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Number of second-dose vaccines administered rising in Riverside County as more doses become available

Participants must have an appointment to get vaccinated

Those receiving a second COVID-19 vaccine is growing as more second-dose clinics are planned throughout Riverside County.

As of Saturday (Feb. 6), there had been 35,699 second doses administered in Riverside County, as well as 212,636 first-time doses, at the various county operated vaccine clinics and by the many community partners.

“The important work on getting as many residents both doses of the vaccine continues,” said Board Chair Karen Spiegel, Second District Supervisor. “We continue to ask for patience, as the number of appointments available for second doses is based on how much vaccine is received, and that number continues to be limited.”

Over the next several weeks, there will be about 16,000 second dose appointments offered at 15 second-dose clinics spread throughout Riverside County.

Those who received their first vaccine at a county operated clinic will be contacted by Public Health to help set up an appointment for the second dose. Current CDC guidelines allow up to 42 days for a second dose with either the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine and due in part to limited vaccine supply from the state, it may not be possible to get a second dose at the 21- or 28-day mark originally recommended.

Riverside County officials have conducted various second-dose vaccine clinics and plan for others throughout the region in the coming weeks. The second-dose clinic frequency depends on the supply of vaccines available.

Residents who received their first dose at private provider, should contact that same provider to schedule their second dose. As more vaccine doses have been made available to the county, officials have provided more to the community partners.

If someone's date for their second dose has passed, and they have not been contacted by email or phone, they can call 2-1-1 for phone assistance.

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