Mass vaccination events planned during the COVID-19 pandemic must include comprehensive social distancing and infection control procedures in order to protect healthcare workers and patients.

Mass vaccination includes a range of venues, populations, and vaccine products, and generally refers to immunizations delivered at satellite, temporary, or off-site locations. Those planning these events may need to consider changes this year, including appointment-based events and the use of online or phone-based pre-registration in order to ensure proper social distancing.

This guidance applies to clinics that

- are open to the general public OR for targeted populations only
- are provisionally located at walk-through sites (i.e., community centers or outdoor tents) OR settings such as mobile, curbside, or drive-through sites.
- provide routine vaccination (i.e., back-to-school or annual flu clinics) or emergency vaccination in a preparedness scenario (i.e., pandemic influenza or COVID-19 vaccination when available).

Resources

- Guidance for Planning Vaccination Clinics Held at Satellite, Temporary, or Off-Site Locations (CDC) Includes detailed patient flow diagrams for socially-distanced events

- Checklist for Vaccination Clinics Held at Satellite, Temporary, or Off-Site Locations (CDC) Detailed mass vaccination guidance during the pandemic (including patient screening and PPE)
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Guidance Resources

- **Resources for Developing Mass Vaccination Clinics** (Immunization Action Coalition)
  Resources that can be adapted to meet the needs of your mass vaccination program in the context of the pandemic.

- **Considerations for Planning Curbside/Drive-Through Vaccination Clinics** (CDC)
  Issues to consider, including enhanced infection control practices and proper storage and handling, for curbside/drive-through vaccination clinics

- **Vaccination Guidance During a Pandemic** (CDC)
  Recommendations for safe delivery of immunizations in a clinical setting. Includes vaccination deferral of persons with suspected or confirmed COVID-19.

- **COCA Call: 2020-2021 Influenza Vaccination Recommendations and Clinical Guidance during the COVID-19 Pandemic** (CDC)
  Summary of ACIP recommendations, special considerations for this flu season and a brief discussion of mass vaccination planning.

Use Personal Protection Equipment

- **Face mask**
  - **Recommended:** All health care providers (N95 masks not recommended)

- **Eye protection**
  - **Recommended:** Areas of moderate/substantial community transmission
  - **Optional:** Areas of minimal/no community transmission

- **Gloves**
  - **Recommended:** Intranasal or oral vaccines
  - **Optional:** Intramuscular or subcutaneous vaccines

- **California Department of Public Health Influenza webpage**
  Flu season resources for California local health departments and providers.

- **Repository of Resources for Maintaining Immunization during the COVID-19 Pandemic** (Immunization Coalitions Network)
  Resources from CDC, state health departments, provider organizations and the media.