



# Talking to Patients About the COVID19 Vaccine ... and an update on the distribution plan

WE WILL BEGIN AT 6:00PM

#### COVID-19 in Arizona and the US

**ARIZONA** 

743,232 cases

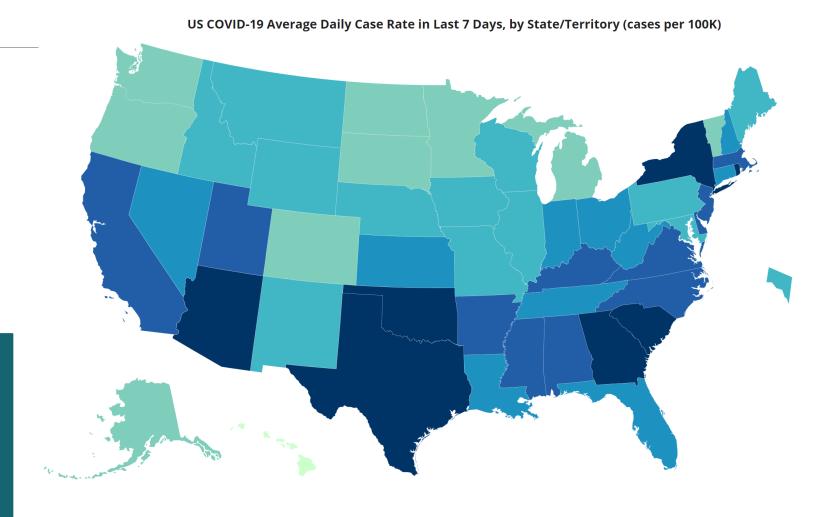
Confirmed and probable

12,819 deaths

Data updated: 1/28/21

#### **National Data from CDC**

- 25,301,166 Total Cases
- 423,519 Total Deaths



#### Agenda

COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution in Arizona Jennifer Tinney, TAPI Program Manager

Talking to Patients about COVID-19 Vaccine Dr. Edmond Baker, Equality Health

**Discussion** *Group* 

\* Un-mute to ask questions & share experiences

\* Use the chat box





# The Arizona Partnership for Immunization Whylmmunize.org

#### Mission

We foster community wellness and advocate for good public policy and best immunization practices.

#### **About Us**

Public/ private partnership
Over 400 coalition members
Working together can improve outcomes

#### Calls to Action

No questions off-limits

It's okay to interrupt

If your question isn't answered, ask again







### Who's Eligible?

#### **Arizona COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization\***

#### Phase 1 Phase 2 Phase 3 DECEMBER 2020 - SPRING 2021 SUMMER 2021 - BEYOND **SPRING 2021 - SUMMER 2021 1C 1A** 1B **Any Remaining Phase Any Remaining Phase** 1 Populations 1 or 2 Populations **Adults of Any Age Healthcare Workers Education &** with High-Risk & Healthcare Support **Childcare Workers Medical Conditions** Occupations **Additional** High-Risk/Critical **General Population Populations Emergency Medical Protective Services Adults Living in Services Workers** Occupations **Congregate Settings General Population** Long-Term **Adults 65 and Care Facility Staff** Older & Residents Essential Services/Critical **Industry Workers Adults with High-Risk** ARIZONA DEPARTMENT **Conditions in** OF HEALTH SERVICES **Congregate Settings** \*Distribution groups and timelines of phases shown are tentative. Local allocators may further subprioritize in each phase based on vaccine supply. This information is subject to change due to future vaccine distribution guidance

recommendations, FDA approval of vaccines, and vaccine allocation/availability.



#### Potential COVID-19 Vaccine Prioritization Overview\*

#### Phase 1

DECEMBER 2020 - SPRING 2021

#### Phase 2

**SPRING 2021 - SUMMER 2021** 

#### Phase 3

**SUMMER 2021 - BEYOND** 

**1A** 

Healthcare

Workers

**1B** 

**1C** 

Adults of Any Age

**Medical Conditions** 

with High-Risk

**Childcare Providers** Priority Within 1B

**Education and** 

Law Enforcement/ **Protective Services** 

Priority Within 1B

**Long-term care Facility Staff & Residents** 

**Emergency Medical** 

**Services Workers** 

Adults Age 75 and Older

Priority Within 1B

**Adults Living in Congregate Settings** 

Adults 65 and Older

**Other Essential** Workers\*\*

**Any Remaining Phase 1 Populations** 

Additional High-Risk/Critical **Populations** 

**General Population** 

**Any Remaining Phase** 1 or 2 Populations

**General Population** 



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#### POLL

WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO IDENTIFY ELIGIBLE PATIENTS?

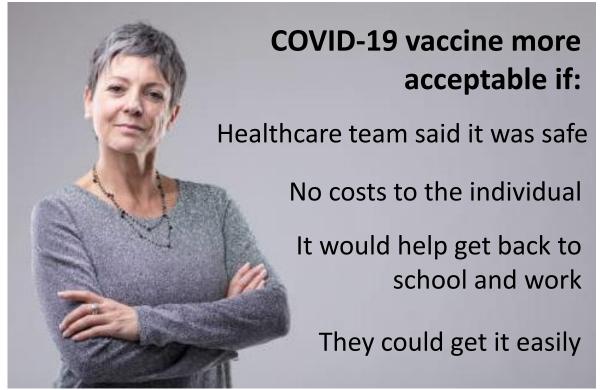


#### The Problem:

#### Patients may be hesitant to receive COVID-19 Vaccine

Only 58% of the general public said they would receive a COVID-19 vaccine









A National Strategy to Reinforce Confidence in COVID-19 vaccines

**Build** 

**Trust** 

Objective: Share clear, complete, and accurate messages about COVID-19 vaccines and take visible actions to build trust in the vaccine, the vaccinator, and the system in coordination with federal, state, and local agencies and partners.

Empower
Healthcare
Personnel

Objective: Promote confidence among healthcare personnel in their decision to get vaccinated and to recommend vaccination to their patients.

Engage
Communities
& Individuals

Objective: Engage communities in a sustainable, equitable, and inclusive way—using two-way communication to listen, build trust, and increase collaboration.

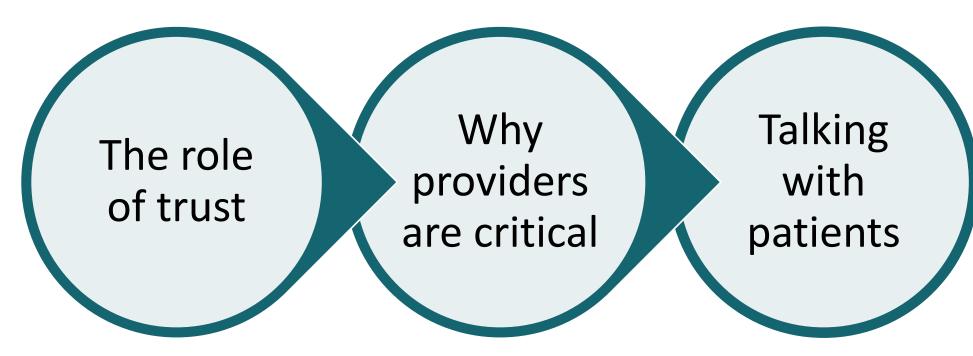


#### Dr. Edmond Baker

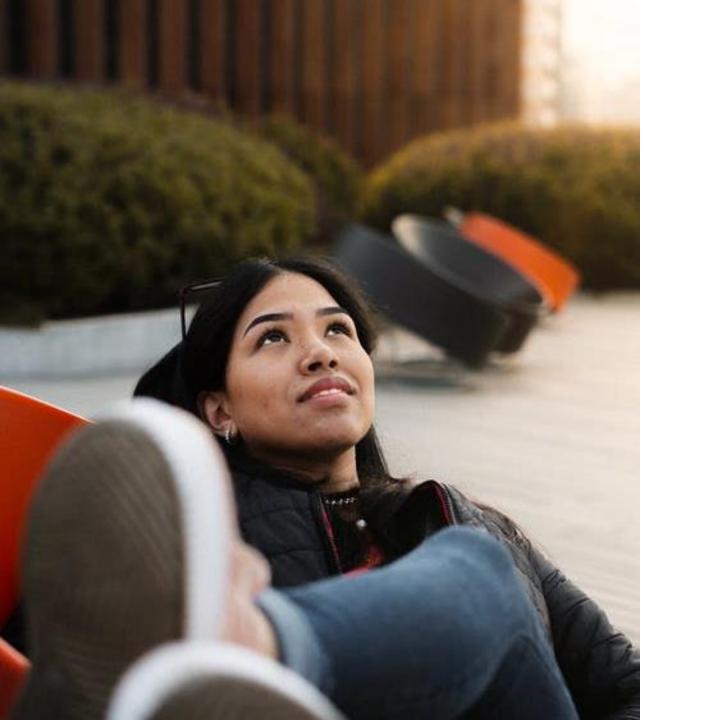
EQUALITY HEALTH



#### Patient-Centered Vaccine Conversations







# What questions are you hearing?



#### Are they Safe?

- FDA carefully reviews all safety data from clinical trials.
- FDA authorizes emergency vaccine use only when the expected benefits outweigh potential risks.
- ACIP reviews safety data before recommending any vaccine for use.
- FDA and CDC will continue to monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines to make sure even very rare side effects are identified.

"COVID-19 vaccines were tested in large clinical trials to make sure they meet safety standards. Many people were recruited to participate in these trials to see how the vaccines offer protection to people of different ages, races, and ethnicities, as well as those with different medical conditions."



#### Were they tested on people like me?

- OProbe what they mean by "people like me."
- Explain that the clinical trials recruited a diverse mix of participants.
- OShare any data you have about the percentages of people from communities of color, people with underlying health conditions, and older adults included in the trials.
- OReiterate that no serious safety concerns were identified.

"The first two mRNA vaccines in line for FDA authorization were tested in a diverse group of people. About 30% of U.S. participants were Hispanic, African American, Asian or Native American. About half were older adults. There were no significant safety concerns identified in these or any other groups."



#### What about the side effects?

- Explain that they cannot get COVID-19 from the vaccine.
- Explain what the most common side effects from vaccination are, how severe they may be, and that they typically go away on their own within a week.
  - Make sure patients know that a fever is a potential side effect.
- oProvide a comparison, if it is appropriate, for the patient (for example, pain after receiving *Shingrix* for older adults who have received it).

"These side effects are signs that your immune system is doing exactly what it is supposed to do. It is working and building up protection to disease."

"Most people do not have serious problems after getting a vaccine. We will understand more about mild side effects of the COVID-19 vaccine before we start to use it. However, your arm may be sore, red, or warm to the touch. These symptoms usually go away on their own within a week. Some people report getting a headache, fever, fatigue, or body aches after getting a vaccine. "



## Elements of an Effective Vaccine Conversation

- OStart from a place of empathy and understanding.
- OAssume patients will want to be vaccinated but be prepared for questions.
- OGive your strong recommendation.
- Address misinformation by sharing key facts.
- OListen to and respond to patient questions.
- Proactively explain side effects.

"I strongly recommend you get a COVID-19 vaccine once it is widely available..."

"... This shot is especially important for you because of your [job or underlying health condition]."

"...I believe in this vaccine so strongly that I plan to get it as soon as it is available."



#### Discussion

What is "stumping" you?

What has been "working" that you want to tell your colleagues about?



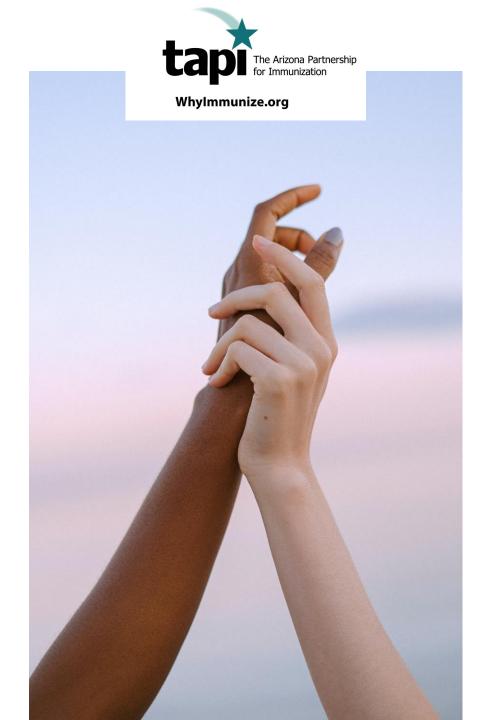




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Would you log onto another meeting in 3 weeks?





### Thank you.

FOR EVERYTHING YOU DO