COVID Vaccination FAQs

1. Where can I find information about the COVID vaccine?
   You can find more information about the vaccine at this DHEC website: https://scdhec.gov/covid19/covid-19-vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-faqs

2. Are COVID-19 vaccines safe?
   Yes. All COVID-19 vaccines used in the United States were tested in clinical studies involving thousands of people. These studies were done to make sure the vaccines meet safety standards and protect people of different ages, races, and ethnicities. There were no serious safety concerns, although CDC has learned of reports that some people have experienced severe allergic reactions. All the approved COVID-19 vaccines have met the same safety standards as all other vaccines used in the United States. Additional Information for People Worried about COVID-19 Vaccination (cdc.gov)

3. Who can get the vaccine?
   • As of January 13 - South Carolinians 70 and older are eligible, regardless of employment or pre-existing conditions. Health care workers, hospital patients 65 and older who don’t have COVID-19, and long-term care facility residents are also eligible as part of Phase 1A.
   • As of February 8 - South Carolinians 65 and older are eligible for the vaccine, regardless of employment or pre-existing conditions.

4. Where can I get the vaccine?
   The Citadel does not currently have vaccines in our possession and our partners are unable to conduct an on-campus campus clinic at this time. We are still coordinating this effort and plan to offer vaccines to those that qualify as soon as they become more widely available. Until further notice, employees who qualify for the vaccine should reference the following:
   • SC DHEC Website
     DHEC has a list of locations taking appointments for Phase 1 vaccines at scdhec.gov/vaxlocator. Those with green dots on the map still have appointments available.
   • Medical University of South Carolina
     To sign up for an appointment time, please click on this link: Schedule a COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment | MUSC Health | Charleston SC.
   • Roper St. Francis Drive Thru in North Charleston
     Roper St. Francis announced they have a centralized vaccination site at the North Charleston Coliseum. You must have an appointment to receive a vaccination through the drive thru site. Anyone can make an appointment by calling their St. Francis physician or if you are not a St. Francis patient, you may call 843-727-3627 to set up an appointment.
   • Publix Pharmacies (participating locations)
     Eligible 1A category patients are able to schedule an appointment and complete consent forms on the Publix website at www.publix.com/covidvaccine. Participating Publix stores in our area are listed on the website and the number of vaccines are very limited at this time.

5. What should I do once I get the vaccine?
   Some employees under the 1A category have already received their first vaccination. The remainder of our campus community will hopefully be covered under the 1B category. If you have not reported your vaccination to Human Resources, please fill out this form to confirm that you have received the vaccination. This information will be held in strict confidence in Human Resources and only reported in aggregate form to determine the number we ultimately need to request for the remainder of our 1B campus community.

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