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Status Update on Fair Park Vaccine Operations

DALLAS – According to the National Weather Service, we are expected to have dangerously cold temperatures and wind chills through tomorrow morning, and another winter storm that should arrive Tuesday and Wednesday. Due to this additional storm, Fair Park vaccine operations will be closed through Wednesday, February 17. We will be closely monitoring the weather situation and there may be additional closures after Wednesday if there are still unsafe conditions. We understand the urgency to administer second doses of the vaccine, but we must also balance people's safety. As soon as we can safely open again, we will.

We will have sufficient supply of the vaccine to ensure all those who received their first dose of the vaccine at Fair Park, can receive their second dose. You will not lose your opportunity to receive your second dose, it will just be a few days delayed. We will prioritize second doses this week based on the date individuals were supposed to receive their second dose. That means you may not receive your second dose on the exact date written on your vaccination card as that day may be scheduled with individuals who are beyond their vaccination due date, but you will receive your second shot as soon as possible.

The CDC guidance is that second doses of the vaccine may be administered up to 6 weeks after the first dose. While we plan to accommodate those needing a second dose much sooner than that, please know that the CDC does allow for a 42-day timeframe.

For more information and to check for any weather related updates on Fair Park vaccine operations, please visit <u>www.DallasCountyCovid.org</u>.

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