## Current COVID-19 case count

**Scott County** – Total of 19,692 (12.7% 7-day positivity)
Total deaths in Scott County: 233
Vaccines:  92,900 vaccines have been given & 32,800 residents are fully vaccinated
**Rock Island County** –13 new cases since Monday; total of 13,639
Currently in hospital in Rock Island County: 25
Total deaths in Rock Island County: 309

## Today's call

A video recording of today's media briefing can be found at
https://www.scottcountyiowa.com/health/covid19/news

## Rock Island County Vaccination Update

Nita Ludwig did not have prepared remarks today.  Information on upcoming clinics can be found at:  https://richd.org/ and
https://www.facebook.com/RockIslandCountyHealthDepartment.

## Scott County:  It's Your Turn!

Remarks from Amy Thoreson, Scott County Health Department

Yesterday, April 5th, was a monumental day when every individual over the age of 16 became eligible for COVID-19 vaccine in Iowa.  It is truly amazing that just a few weeks after the 1 year anniversary of our first case of COVID-19, we have access to 3 highly effective and safe vaccines to protect against the severe illness and death that can be caused by the coronavirus.  Many individuals are worried about which vaccine they should receive – the best vaccine is the one you can get access to first.  At this time, the Pfizer vaccine is the only vaccine available to youth ages 16 & 17.  Pfizer has started trials for their COVID-19 vaccine on 12-15 year olds and the results look promising.  However, Pfizer is not yet authorized for this age group.

We have overcome many hurdles to vaccine rollout, including strict prioritization requirements, limited vaccine supply, and the need to figure out how to distribute a vaccine that requires extreme storage requirements while also ensuring strict social distancing measures.  This type of rapid response has never occurred in public health.

Our next hurdle is making sure that enough individuals are vaccinated to truly ensure the virus is no longer able to spread due to immunity of its possible hosts and to do this while we are seeing cases rise to uncomfortable levels. The time to act is now. We each have a choice – a choice to be vaccinated for ourselves, our families, and our community.  Luckily, we aren't at a loss for options on where to get vaccinated and these options continue to increase.

Many will choose to look to their healthcare provider for vaccine.  We have invited our 3 large health systems to join us today to describe their vaccination registration process.

## Area Health Systems Provide Vaccine Access

Information shared by the following partners can be found in the video recording of today's media briefing at:  https://www.scottcountyiowa.com/health/covid19/news

**Community Health Care, Inc.; *Tom Bowman, CEO***

- Electronic vaccine appointment registration:  https://www.chcqca.org/covidvaccine
- Telephone appointment registration:  563-336-3000

**Genesis Health System; *Beau Dexter, Director of Clinical Operations***

- Electronic vaccine appointment registration:  https://www.genesishealth.com/mygenesis-home/
- Telephone appointment registration:  Contact your primary care provider OR call 563-421-4088

**UnityPoint Health – Trinity; *Matt Behrens, Vice President of UnityPoint Clinics***

- Electronic vaccine appointment registration:  https://www.unitypoint.org/quadcities/covid-19-vaccine.aspx
- Telephone appointment registration:  Contact your primary care

## More information
- www.TogetherQC.com
- coronavirus.iowa.gov
- https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19
- https://www.dph.illinois.gov/regionmetrics?regionID=2
- https://www.dph.illinois.gov/countymetrics?county=Rock%20Island
- https://www2.illinois.gov/idoc/facilities/Pages/Covid19Response.aspx
- https://www.dph.illinois.gov/covid19/long-term-care-facility-outbreaks-covid-19

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