

With an increase of vaccine state mandates coming out over the last week, we have had an increase in inquiries about ordering vaccines from Consonus Pharmacy. Many of you have already “Activated” for our continuity program, so you are ready to order! Some have not “Activated” and will need to do so prior to ordering a COVID-19 vaccine from Consonus.

Below you will find answers to common questions about activating your facility and ordering COVID-19 vaccine through Consonus Pharmacy.

As your pharmacy partner, Consonus is prepared to deliver vaccines NOW.

Q: I would like to “Activate” my community in Consonus Pharmacies COVID-19 program. How do I go about doing this?

A: Please see the activation check list for guidance on the activation process.

Q: I am new to this facility and unsure if they have previously “Activated”. How can I verify if my facility is activated or not?

A: Please contact your pharmacist and/or nurse consultant to verify. You may also email vaccineorders@consonushealth.com to verify activation status.

Q: What do you call the COVID-19 vaccine package that is sent to the facility?

A: VaccPack

Q: What is included in a VaccPack?

A: The VaccPack will include all necessary supplies to give the COVID-19 vaccine. This includes, COVID-19 vaccine, diluent if needed (per product) syringes, band aids, CDC vaccination cards, alcohol pads and instructions on dilution (if appropriate).

Q: What product does each Consonus Pharmacy location have on hand?

A: Please see below chart for product per location.

	California	Nevada	Oregon	Washington
Pfizer	•		•	•
Janssen		•		
Moderna		•	•	

Q: How do I order my Vaccine Allergic Reaction Box (VARB) from Consonus?

A: In order to give the vaccine, it is mandatory to have epinephrine and an antihistamine on site. To order your VARB, please see the activation checklist for your specific state order.

Q: What is the lead time for getting COVID-19 vaccine delivered to my facility?

A: Consonus asks for 48 hours to process and deliver the COVID-19 vaccine. Your vaccination date should be scheduled Tuesday through Saturday and is dependent on when you ordered the VaccPack. Please see schedule below for reference.

COVID-19 Vaccination Delivery Schedules

Order Day	Pharmacy Ship Day	Earliest Vaccination Day
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Friday	Monday	Tuesday
Saturday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Sunday	Tuesday	Wednesday

* Placed by 6 PM

* Ships with Regular Evening Delivery

COVID-19 Booster Update:

On August 12th, the FDA has approved an additional dose for certain immunocompromised individuals. Currently, other fully vaccinated individuals, including LTC residents, do not need an additional dose. The amendment includes Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) is meeting today to discuss further clinical recommendations. More information will be coming soon, at which time we will make sure that updates are released.

Vaccines do not save lives vaccinations do!

Download the [Consonus #GetVaccinated Toolkit](#) today!

Thank you for your interest in participating in the COVID-19 Vaccine Continuity Program through Consonus Pharmacy. To reach activation status, please complete the following steps.

Step 1: Vaccination Agreement

- Return the signed vaccination agreement that was provided to you through DocuSign. If you participated in phase 1 clinics with Consonus, your agreement is already in place. If you are new to Consonus' vaccine program and did not receive your Vaccination Agreement, please contact your nurse or pharmacist consultant.

Step 2: Identify Facility Coordinator

- The Administrator, DNS /HWD or other leadership personnel within the facility should take on the Facility Coordinator (FC) role. The FC will be accountable and attest that requirements have been achieved for the Continuity Program at the facility. This person is responsible for ordering and securing the VaccPack as well as keeping the patient roster up to date in the Vaccine Administration Software (VAS). The FC will also manage an on call list to minimize waste of the vaccine at the facility site.
Note, on call recipients must be within your local jurisdiction's current guidelines for COVID-19 vaccine eligibility.

Step 3: Identify Facility Vaccinator

- Secure healthcare provider(s) to administer vaccinations. Reconstitution may also be required, if utilizing the Pfizer product. Many states have expanded who can administer the COVID-19 vaccine during this national emergency. Please check your current state requirements on who can vaccinate.

Step 4: Facility Standing Orders

- Some states have standing orders for each vaccine product that allow healthcare professionals to administer the vaccine without individual patient orders. If your state does not have a standing order, the CDC has a template that may be utilized.

Step 5: Vaccine Allergic Reaction Box (VARB) Physician Order

- Each facility must purchase a VARB from the pharmacy to have onsite during vaccinations. Per the CDC guidance to administer the COVID vaccine, you must have 3 epinephrine auto injectors and an antihistamine (i.e. diphenhydramine). A link to a sample order is attached. Please have a prescriber sign and send back to pharmacy.

Step 6: Facility Coordinator and Vaccine Administrator Training

- Have VAS users view the following videos. Note, there have been several updates to the VAS since phase 1. For this reason, regardless if you have participated in phase 1 clinics, you are required to watch the appropriate trainings for your role.

Facility Coordinator:

- ["Facility Coordinator VAS Training Video"](#)

Vaccinator:

- ["Vaccine Administrator VAS Training"](#)
- ["Vaccine Prep and Administration"](#) (product specific)

Step 7: Activation Confirmation or Training Access

- Once you have completed all steps, please fill out the ["Ready to Activate"](#) form to validate all steps have been completed. A vaccine coordinator will then contact you with your first order date.

Ready Set GO!

Activation Check List

<input type="checkbox"/>	Vaccination Agreement	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identify Facility Coordinator	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Identify Facility Vaccinator	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Facility Standing Order	Check state requirements Washington State Standing Orders CDC Standing Order Pfizer CDC Standing Order Moderna CDC Standing Order Janssen
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vaccine Allergic Reaction Box Order	WA Pharmacy Customer OR Pharmacy Customer CA Pharmacy Customer NV Pharmacy Customer
<input type="checkbox"/>	Facility Coordinator Training	Facility Coordinator VAS Training Video Review Training Guide
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vaccinator Training	Vaccine Administrator VAS Training Vaccine Prep and Administration <small>(product specific)</small> Review Training Guide
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fill Out "Ready to Activate" Form	Ready to Activate

Please note, Consonus vaccine supply may vary based on state and federal allocation. Fluctuating vaccine supply may delay facilities preferred vaccination schedule.