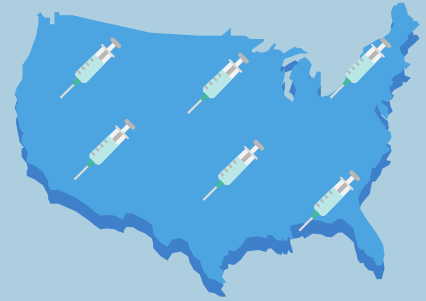


# How does the COVID-19 vaccine get to you?

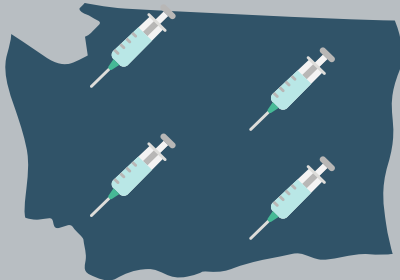
## Getting vaccines to Washington State

- The Federal government sends vaccine doses from the manufacturers to the states. To work, this needs:
  - A national distribution network
  - Federal, state, and local health officials working effectively together
  - Enough syringes and other materials to give a shot
  - Enough staff and resources to make it all work



## Getting vaccines from Washington State to Whatcom County providers

- The Washington State Department of Health (DOH):
  - Estimates how much vaccine is needed in each community
  - Decides which groups should get vaccinated first and next
  - Monitors where and how many shots are given



## Getting vaccines to you

- Local healthcare providers:
  - Enroll with DOH to become a COVID-19 vaccine provider
  - Develop their systems for how they will give out shots based on eligibility
  - Get information to their patients on how and when to get vaccinated



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