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Community Vaccination Center Hosts Second Clinic March 20



BELLINGHAM, WA -- The Community Vaccination Center (CVC) located at Bellingham Technical College (BTC) will host another COVID-19 vaccination clinic this weekend on March 20.

An appointment is required to get vaccinated at the CVC, and registration begins at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 17. Those wishing to schedule an appointment at the CVC may do so online at prepmod.doh.wa.gov. The Whatcom County Health Department posted a [video walkthrough on how to use PrepMod](#) on their website, in English and in Spanish.

People without internet access or who need language assistance may call (360) 778-6075 to schedule an appointment. **Please do not call if you can access the internet.** Call volumes last week nearly overwhelmed phone systems. It's much faster to schedule online than over the phone, and the phone service needs to be prioritized for those who can't schedule online.

Anyone who's in an eligible phase can make an appointment. Eligibility can be determined at www.FindYourPhaseWA.com. The clinic will be held between 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at 3028 Lindbergh Ave in Bellingham. Public transportation to Bellingham Technical College is also available. This is not a drive-up event.

-  Visitor parking
-  Staff parking
-  Vaccine Center
• G Building,
G102A



If driving to the CVC, park in one of the visitor parking lots and walk to the Vaccination Center, located in G102A. If you arrive more than 5 minutes early, please wait in your car until your scheduled appointment time.

To avoid overcrowding, people who make an appointment are asked to arrive within 5 minutes of their appointment time. Those who do arrive earlier are asked to wait in their cars or away from the Vaccination Center building, at least 6 feet away from others in the area.

“It’s really great that people are so eager to get vaccinated,” said Shanon Hardie, chief operating officer at Unity Care NW and chair of the CVC Steering Committee. “We’re eager to make it happen. But we still have to do it safely, and to do that we have to try to make our appointments as close to right-on-time as possible.”

There were 391 people in Phase 1A and Phase 1B Tier 1 vaccinated at the March 13 clinic. The shots were administered by a diverse team of volunteers, healthcare professionals and students from the BTC and WCC nursing programs. Nursing students worked alongside nurses and healthcare staff from the Whatcom County Health Department, Unity Care NW, Family Care Network and Hoagland Pharmacy.



The CVC is staffed by a diverse team of volunteers, healthcare professionals and students from the BTC and WCC nursing programs.

Community Vaccination Center clinic days and hours of operation are limited by the number of doses received from the state. For the next two weeks, the Whatcom County Health Department will announce weekly clinic dates and times on Tuesdays, and registration will open on Wednesdays.

The CVC is a collaborative effort between Bellingham Technical College, Unity Care NW, Whatcom County Health Department, Whatcom Unified Command, Family Care Network, PeaceHealth, Sea Mar Community Health Centers, Hoagland Pharmacy, and Whatcom Community College (WCC). For more information about the Community Vaccination Center, visit vaccinatewhatcom.org.

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