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## **Disability Health Committee Newsletter**

Philadelphia Department of Public Health

Dear Colleague,

We wanted to share the below updates with you about COVID-19 vaccination opportunities and new disability-specific resources available through the Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH).

**Mayor's Commission on People with Disabilities Public Meeting-** MCPD invites you to the upcoming Public Meeting on **March 23, 2022 , 7pm-8:30pm via Zoom**. Topics to be include updates from the Commission, Covid-19 updates, and upcoming events and meeting announcements. ASL and Closed Captions will be provided. Register here: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/</u> <u>tZAqd-6gqjIoH9YFc0p5wypdFOhEaXC8\_6GN</u>

**Public Disability Health Committee Forum**- Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) and the Mayor's Office for People with Disabilities invites you to join us for a conversation focused on the intersection of disability and public health on Monday, 5/2/22 at 11am. ASL and Closed Captioning will be provided. For additional ADA accommodations please email Claudia Tasco at Claudia. <u>Tasco@phila.gov</u> or call 215-686-2798 by April 22, 2022.

Register here: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZclcuuupjljGdK1VChrytS-7nHBMXc6i0DZ</u>

**Previous Disability Health Forum-** Topics include Omicron/ other variants, case/ hospitalization/ vaccination rates, Philadelphia public health response/ policy Up-to-date info on the Homebound program, and booster/ additional dose guidance for people with certain medical conditions

For a copy of the materials provided please email: <u>liam.dougherty@phila.gov</u> <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SbF8rl84Mfo</u>

**Testing Kits for Distribution by CBOs-** The Philadelphia Department of Public Health (PDPH) has procured a supply of at-home COVID-19 test kits and will be offering these tests to community-based organizations (CBOs) serving clients and patrons in areas of high COVID-19 risk. Prior to completing this request form, please ensure that you have read through the program information sheet and agreed to the following set of requirements.

https://phlpublichealth.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\_eewZACG10fvFGd0

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**In-home Vaccination**- PDPH offers in-home COVID-19 vaccines and booster shots through other providers. These are available to anyone over 12 years old who has had trouble getting their shot because of disability, health issues, transportation access or other barriers. Caregivers & family members in home are eligible. Vaccine is free. See attached flyer for more information. Flyer is available in 14 other languages- email <u>HomeVax@phila.gov</u>.

Call 311 or 215-685-5488. Press 5 for interpretation services. Dial 711 for TRS/TTY assistance Visit <u>https://bit.ly/homeboundvaccinephl</u>

**Administration for Community Living Resource Page**- ACL has compiled a list of information and guidance on booster shots, doses for people who are immunocompromised, and vaccination resources for the aging and disability networks.

https://acl.gov/news-and-events/announcements/vaccine-cheat-sheet-and-more-covid-19resources

**CDC ASL Video Series**- A collection of ASL videos on self testing, masking, and more: <u>https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvrp9iOILTQatwnqm61jqFrsfUB4RKh6J</u>

**Know Before You Go Blog Updates**- This post includes access considerations, such as transportation and Access and Functional Needs resources, as well as an up-to-date description of City-run clinics. Philadelphia's regularly updated access blog can be found here: <u>https://bit.ly/KnowB4Ugo</u>

Best,

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