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Hello Colleagues:

Just a few things today.

No doubt there are still many questions about vaccinations. The key takeaway now is that there are very strict limits on vaccine distribution, such as order or timeline, and it is not under the university's control or discretion.

We also know the following:

- Currently, vaccines are being distributed by the county where the person resides, and [CUPHD](#) is leading distribution for our county.
- So far, CUPHD has offered the following university groups the opportunity to be vaccinated, according to priority guidelines:
  - Healthcare workers
  - Beckwith students
  - COVID-19 testing center staff, COVID testing staff, and vaccination clinic personnel
  - Champaign County residents 75 years of age or older
  - Champaign County residents 65 - 74 years of age with specific health conditions listed in the link below
- CUPHD does not yet know which groups will be offered the vaccine next or when due to an unpredictable vaccine supply chain and evolving guidance from the State of Illinois.
- As CUPHD identifies the next groups to be offered the vaccine, the university will update the campus community as soon as it is able.

Please see the university's [Vaccines for COVID-19 web page](#) for the most up-to-date information.

Also, a list of Library employees who directly met the stated criteria (see [this email](#)) has been provided to campus. In addition, the Library provided campus with a list of employees who are in frequent contact with the public as part of their work duties, so that additional people can be considered by campus and CUPHD, should the criteria be expanded.

We realize that there are many unknowns and will continue to supply information as it becomes available to us. We can't thank you enough for your patience during this entire process.

Let's continue to keep the lines of communication open. Please let us know if there is anything you need clarification on that we haven't answered.

Best,

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