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CITY CONTINUES PROVIDING VACCINATION OPPORTUNITIES

Griffin Health and the State Dept. of Public Health is providing Pfizer vaccinations and will be located at the Mrs. Rockwell's building, next to the playground each day from Friday, May 14 through Thursday, May 20th, 12pm to 6pm each day, with one exception. On Saturday, May 15th, the Clinic will run from 2pm-6pm. The clinics will be staffed by Griffin Health personnel.

"This clinic is open to Bristol residents 12 years or older – appointments are not needed, but a parent or guardian must accompany and give consent for anyone under the age of 18. Those who receive a vaccine will be given assistance to schedule their second vaccine appointment when the vans return to Bristol in June." said Mayor Zoppo-Sassu.

At this time, only the Pfizer vaccine has been authorized by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for use in children ages 12 and older. The Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines are authorized for use in adults 18 and older.

"Bringing mobile vaccination units to Bristol is an opportunity to reach those populations here in Bristol who lack technology and transportation or who have language barriers," stated Councilman, Peter Kelley, who represents the neighborhood around Rockwell Park, which is one of the targets to increase vaccinations. "Our expectation is that the locations and dates and times of these clinics will allow us to reach as many of the hardest to reach populations as possible."

Since the inception of these Walk-In Clinics two weeks ago, an additional 600 people have been vaccinated, reported the Mayor.

In addition, a Mobile Vaccine Clinic will take place at the Bristol Soccer Club at 441 Emmett Street on Saturday, May 15 from 8am to 1pm to administer first doses of the Pfizer vaccine to Bristol residents who are 12 years or older. The vans will then return in June to administer the second doses.

"With Bristol now moving from Red to Orange in terms of the number of infections reported, we are heading in the right direction," stated Mayor Ellen Zoppo-Sassu. "However, the more people vaccinated the better. People should check the City website, Mayor's Office Facebook page, or call the Mayor's Office at 860-584-6250 for location and times. It is to all of our benefit to encourage our friends and neighbors to get vaccinated as well."

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