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Vaccination of our citizens has taken off. To date, as per the DSHS COVID-19 dashboard, 2,166 people in Wilson County have been vaccinated as of 11:59 the previous night. This data is available for your viewing at: DSHS COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard

Based on 2019 population estimates 40,518 of our citizens are 18+ years of age. 9,149 of those citizens are 65+ years of age. Thus far, vaccine providers in Wilson County have only received 2000 doses. Even though not all eligible citizens will want to take the vaccine we have a long way to go before there will be enough doses allocated to our vaccine providers to meet the need. Please be patient with the providers that have been allocated the vaccine. They are being tasked with this responsibility while still treating and providing services to ill patients as well. **Do not show up expecting to receive the vaccine.** Contact the providers to inquire about availability and scheduling. Here is a link to the DSHS COVID-19 map of vaccine provider locations: Texas COVID-19 Vaccine Availability map

If you are not already registered with I-Info to receive emergency notifications from Wilson County, I encourage you to register now. If Wilson County is chosen as a vaccination hub or when a county wide vaccination clinic is to be conducted, the announcement will be made through the mass notification system and social media, and a registration link would be provided. We would be receiving a limited number of doses so registration for an appointment would be required at that time. So, sign up now to receive emergency notifications if you haven't already.

The ongoing response to this public health emergency is constantly evolving and changing. I look forward to when the vaccine(s) are readily available to the general public that wants to take it and we can hopefully relieve some of the burden off the healthcare system and implement a community wide vaccination clinic. Until then, please be patient; continue to practice social distancing and hand washing; and wearing your masks. Be a part of the solution, not the problem.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Jackson Wilson County Judge



