Meijer Prepares to Administer Up to 25,000 COVID-19 Vaccines to Seniors Throughout the State of Michigan This Week

Multiple vaccine clinics will be held for pre-registered patients 65 and older

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 8, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Meijer is preparing to launch a series of vaccine clinics this week at stores throughout the State of Michigan with plans to administer up to 25,000 COVID-19 vaccine doses by week's end. The vaccines will be administered to Michiganders 65 years and older who have pre-registered through the company's vaccine registration process.

"We are very proud of the role our stores and pharmacies continue to play in this massive effort to vaccinate people against COVID-19," Meijer President & CEO Rick Keyes said. "As a pharmacy partner to both the State of Michigan and the federal government, we have been able to receive vaccines and quickly administer doses to thousands of people in our communities, usually within 72 hours."

During the last few weeks, Meijer has conducted vaccine clinics in numerous counties throughout the state, administering up to 1,200 vaccines in a single day at some stores. Since its first clinic on Jan. 15, the retailer has administered more than 20,000 doses in Michigan and more than 30,000 doses overall, primarily to seniors 65 and older. This week's aggressive vaccine schedule is possible through partnerships with several counties and cities in Michigan, along with doses received from the State of Michigan and the Centers for Disease Control.

"I'm extremely proud of the amazing work our store and pharmacy teams have done to create a quick and efficient process for our vaccine clinics," said Jason Beauch, Meijer Vice President of Pharmacy. "The importance of these clinics is not lost on our team members and patients – it's a very emotional experience for everyone involved."

The vaccine clinics conducted by Meijer are not open to walk-ups. Participants must be registered through the retailer's online system in order to be scheduled for a vaccine. To register, patients can text COVID to 75049, go online at clinic.meijer.com or simply visit their local Meijer pharmacy and ask to register. Meijer encourages anyone interested in receiving the vaccine to register, as the retailer intends to eventually offer the vaccine to all Michiganders eligible via the CDC guidelines in the coming weeks and months.

The retailer is not releasing the location of the clinics as registered customers will be contacted directly with an appointment time and location once an appointment window becomes available for them.

About Meijer: Meijer is a Grand Rapids, Mich.-based retailer that operates 256 supercenters and grocery stores throughout Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky and Wisconsin. A privately-owned and family-operated company since 1934, Meijer pioneered the "one-stop shopping" concept and has evolved through the years to include expanded fresh produce and meat departments, as well as pharmacies, comprehensive apparel departments, pet departments, garden centers, toys and electronics. For additional information on Meijer, please visit www.meijer.com. Follow Meijer on Twitter @twitter.com/Meijer and www.facebook.com/meijer.

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