

HHF-PROCEDURE

ORIGINAL DATE: 03/21

SUBJECT: COVID VACCINE ADMINISTRATION PROCEDURE TO HOMEBOUND PATIENTS

PURPOSE: To administer COVID vaccine to homebound patients.

PROCEDURE:

1. RN administers all doses assigned within 5 hours (taking in account the time of dose prep and travel to office)
2. Administrations Procedure
 - a. RN performs 2 patient identifiers
 - b. Ask questions of sensitivity or past allergic reaction
 - c. Reaffirms verbal consent
 - d. RN Administers the vaccine at the beginning of the skilled visit
 - e. RN observes patient for 15 minutes if no hx of sensitivity and for 30 minutes if hx of sensitivity
 - f. If patient exhibits signs of anaphylaxis take the following steps:
 - i. Rapidly assess airway, breathing, circulation, and mentation (mental activity).
 - ii. Call for emergency medical services (EMS).
 - iii. Place the patient in a supine position (face up), with feet elevated, unless upper airway obstruction is present or the patient is vomiting.
 - iv. In adults, administer a 0.5 mg intramuscular dose in the mid-outer thigh (through clothing if necessary).
 - v. Epinephrine dose may be repeated approximately every 5-15 minutes if symptoms do not improve or if they return while waiting for EMS. The number and timing of epinephrine doses should be recorded and communicated to EMS.
 - g. RN documents
 - i. Patient-in HCHB patient medical record administration of the vaccine, type, dose, route, site; (IM deltoid)
 - ii. RN documents observation of patient by number of minutes and any adverse effects
 - iii. RN documents teaching provided including the provision of the CDC patient materials
 - h. RN documents on the MVP dose administration form and the vaccine card for both HHF patients and non-patients
3. Any declination of vaccine is reported immediately to CHM admin or designee to identify another patient to accept the vaccine injection.
4. Demographic sheet and dose administration sheet is photographed into HCHB. Admin scans to MVP clinician by 10am next day or same day for recording.
5. Document portable refrigerator minimum and maximum temperatures on "Home Health Foundation Temperature Log for Portable Refrigerator."

References: CDC COVID-19 Website