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## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Health Services of Lyon County to inform all county residents of the COVID-19 vaccine availability would like to share the following information:

The State of Iowa and Health Services of Lyon County including Lyon County Healthcare Providers, Avera and Sanford are currently in Phase 1A of the COVID-19 vaccine distribution.

Phase1A distribution is for all Healthcare Personnel and the residents and staff at Long Term Care facilities. The vaccine distribution has not moved forward, to include additional groups of priority persons as this time.

Health Services of Lyon County will announce to the public utilizing social media, faith partners, Avera, Sanford, radio, schools, and the county website: lyoncounty.iowa.gov each phase of COVID-19 vaccination as they are updated. These updates will identify the next group of persons that will be able to receive the vaccine.

"We know that Lyon County residents are eager to learn of the upcoming phases and timelines of those phases. This is a multi-faceted process that we continue to work through, and we ensure that as each phase opens up for vaccinations our county residents will be informed of when the vaccine is available to them." Stated Melissa Stillson, Public Health Administrator "This is a time of great hope and possibilities for Lyon County residents, which will require patience and flexibility. Public Health will provide guidance on how and where to receive the vaccine, as each new phase is identified.

Respectfully submitted,

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