



CDCR to administer vaccine

Frontline healthcare workers to receive vaccine on a voluntary basis

CAPT learned today that the department plans to administer the COVID-19 vaccine as early as tomorrow (Dec. 22, 2020) at Stockton on a voluntary basis for all staff and inmates/patients.

CAPT, along with other bargaining units, attended a conference call today with the department to learn more about the department's vaccine rollout plan. Today, CAPT learned that the department has acquired a vaccine allotment and that its distribution to the various institutions would be carried out as storage capabilities and supplies become available.

The department has prioritized CHCF, CMF, and CCWF as "skilled nursing facilities" for early vaccine distribution. Staff at Stockton could begin getting inoculated as early as tomorrow. Staff receiving the vaccine will be monitored for at least 15 minutes immediately after injection for any adverse reactions.

While taking the vaccine is voluntary, CAPT encourages all of our Brothers and Sisters to schedule themselves for vaccination as soon as possible. "We all have witnessed the devastating impact this virus has had on our state," said State President Eric Soto. "We have to do everything we can to keep ourselves, our families, co-workers, and those in our care as safe as possible."