**Note to organizations: Use this article in your e-newsletters or hard copy newsletters that you distribute to members. Please consider a “special edition” newsletter with this article and supplement it with information about who to contact for more information about vaccines. Feel free to customize the text to make it appropriate for your organization.**

**COVID-19 vaccine: It’s our turn to roll up our sleeves and get vaccinated!**

It’s hard to imagine a time when we didn’t know COVID-19 existed. Now when people say “virus,” we know what they mean. The impact of COVID-19 on our lives, our activities, and our freedom has affected us all. The responsibility is ours, as a community, to help stop this virus. Now we have a new, safe, and effective tool to help us do that—COVID-19 vaccines.

**It takes everyone.**

We all need to step up to beat COVID-19. We ask you to join us in protecting yourself, your family and friends, and our community by getting vaccinated.

{INSERT QUOTE FROM ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP. Suggested quote: *“COVID-19 vaccination is one of the strongest tools we can use to fight this pandemic together,”*} says [NAME and TITLE].

Getting vaccinated adds an important layer of protection for you, your family, and loved ones. Here are some things you should know about the COVID-19 vaccine:

* All COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the United States are very effective at preventing the disease.
* The most common side effects are pain in the arm where you got the shot, feeling tired, headache, body aches, chills, and fever.
* Stopping a pandemic requires using all the tools we have available—wearing masks, staying at least 6 feet apart from people who don’t live with you, avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, washing your hands frequently, and **getting vaccinated**.

We want everyone in our community to be safe and get back to hugging our families and friends and shaking hands with our neighbors.

We all play a part in this effort, and you are key. Please sign up to get your COVID-19 vaccination at {INSERT INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE TO GET VACCINATED}.

If you have questions about vaccination clinics in {INSERT COMMUNITY CLINIC INFORMATION}, please contact {INSERT NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION}.

If you have questions about the COVID-19 vaccine, visit CDC’s FAQs web page: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/faq.html>.