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95% Vaccine Use Requirement Removed

Eased restrictions makes providing vaccine to community members easier

The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) has announced, **effectively immediately**, they are removing the requirement to use 95% of vaccine supply in seven days.

The requirement is being removed to ensure providers have vaccine on hand to take advantage of any opportunities to administer the vaccine. This allows active providers to:

- Check patient's vaccination status during regularly scheduled appointments
- Offer and administer vaccine to anyone who has not been vaccinated yet, and
- More easily offer walk in appointments.

The DOH is encouraging all enrolled providers to keep a consistent COVID-19 vaccine supply. Beginning today, providers can order enough vaccine to maintain up to a **two-week supply**.

With this change, storing, ordering and using vaccine will be easier for all enrolled providers. Additionally, there is enough supply now to meet provider ordering demand and to keep stock on hand for first and second doses.

If you have not yet enrolled to be a provider, or were a provider and would like to resume COVID-19 vaccination, please fill out the form at <https://redcap.doh.wa.gov/surveys/?s=KMXJHMALX3>. For questions specific to provider enrollment in our counties, contact Sierra Knutson-Purcell at (509) 460-4533.

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