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CHCC to offer COVID-19 vaccinations at Tanapag Youth Center

The Commonwealth Healthcare Corporation (CHCC) and the Governor's COVID-19 Task Force will be hosting the next vaccination outreach event on Saturday, May 8, at the Tanapag Youth Center, from 8 a.m. - noon. Walk-ins for first dose COVID-19 vaccinations will be accepted at all vaccination locations.

The CHCC and the Governor's COVID-19 Task Force administered 36 Moderna vaccines on Wednesday, April 28, 2021, at the Multi-Purpose Center; and 135 Moderna vaccines and 1 Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at the Northern Marianas College.

As of May 2, 2021, the CNMI has fully vaccinated 18,859 persons, representing approximately 50% of the eligible population. The CHCC has resumed the use of the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration have recommended that use of Johnson & Johnson's Janssen (J&J/Janssen) COVID-19 vaccine resume in the United States, effective April 23, 2021. However, women younger than 50 years old especially should be aware of the rare risk of blood clots with low platelets after vaccination, and that other COVID-19 vaccines are available where this risk has not been seen.

The CHCC aims to vaccinate 200 individuals at all outreach sites. Individuals are highly encouraged to pre-register online at vaccinatecnmi.com, call the CHCC call center at (670) 682-SHOT/7468, or register in person at the CHCC call center in IT&E Chalan Laulau.

Furthermore, the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is now available to 16- and 17-year-olds of Rota and Tinian. All necessary forms and information are available at vaccinatecnmi.com. Parents must register for their children, as well as accompany them during the vaccination process.

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