Lakeview Village Becomes a State-Approved Vaccination Clinic Site

Lakeview Village, a Life Plan Community/CCRC in Lenexa, became an approved COVID-19 vaccination clinic site for the State of Kansas in April 2021. Their goal was to provide vaccinations to their residents, staff, family members, and the public.

Background

Lakeview implemented an Incident Command Structure that remained in place throughout the entire pandemic, from March 10, 2020 through the present. The management team took the lead on managing the pandemic throughout their Life Plan Community/CCRC campus. Lakeview Village had a dedicated staff member who had the responsibility for being aware of the regulations, rules, and staying in tune with the updated information coming from CMS, CDC, Health Department and State as it relates to preventing, fighting and the vaccination process that the government was recommending.

Lakeview Village obtained vaccines for initial vaccination of their resident population and staff through the federal Pharmacy Partnership Program with CVS in January. They were aware that there would be no similar plan to vaccinate residents and staff after the Pharmacy Partnership Program ended.

Becoming a Vaccination Clinic Site

In January 2021, Lakeview Village COO Pam Hermon began research and making connections to learn what was involved in becoming vaccination clinic site. In February 2021 they began the process of signing up to be a vaccination clinic site at https://www.kansasvaccine.gov/167/How-to-Participate. In February, Lakeview Village completed and submitted the application online. They report that the process was easy to complete and required them to list a physician and a nurse that would be coordinating the clinic on site.

They never received an official notice from the State of Kansas or CDC stating they were now a vaccine clinic site until they received an email from KDHE requesting how much vaccine they would like to receive. After multiple phone calls and emails, they got confirmation that they were approved and could receive vaccine. Lakeview Village had to become a user with the Kansas Website for reporting vaccines and sign up with the Vaccine Finder website (as required by the state and the federal government) to be able to list the amount of vaccine available.

The nurse vaccine clinic coordinator signed up for the required online CEU classes on vaccinations provided by CDC, as required by the state of Kansas.

But While Their Application Was in Process

Lakeview continued to reach out to local partners to provide vaccination for their campus. They were successful in getting small amounts of vaccine through the health department for residents in April and were able to coordinate a vaccine clinic with Hy-Vee pharmacy for residents, staff, and family members who qualified at 65 or over.

While Lakeview Village had great working relationships with many local pharmacies and stores for years, they had to reach out to many other pharmacies and stores during the pandemic and build new relationships to help get supplies. These relationships assisted us with getting a vaccine clinic by Hy-Vee.

Vaccine Storage and Quality Control

Lakeview Village purchased a deep freezer and created a designated refrigerator (purchased from Amazon), and a DDL thermometer that digitally records the temperature of the freezer and the refrigerator, to assist with making sure the temperature remains the correct temperature all the time. The thermometers send a text message to designated personnel if/when the units are out of range.

Ordering and Documenting Vaccine Use

Lakeview must update the Vaccine Finder website daily with the amount of vaccine that they have available. They are required to provide the public with information on how to sign up for the vaccine. After a vaccine is given, they are required to record the vaccine in the KSWEBIZ site. There is a place on KSWEBIZ to record number and reason for wasted vaccines.

Lakeview Village received their first shipment of vaccine the last week of April, and have held four clinics for residents, staff, family members, and the public. Since January 2021, Lakeview Village has coordinated and/or vaccinated themselves 2476 shots. They have been able to provide all their residents, staff, family members, the public, and other buildings in the area the opportunity to be vaccinated.

Lakeview Offers to Help Get Others Vaccinated

Lakeview Village has Moderna and the Johnson/Johnson vaccine available and will assist other buildings with getting their residents, staff, and/or family members vaccinated. If you are needing residents, staff, or family members vaccinated please reach out to their hot line at 913-951-3879 or covid19vaccine@lakeviewvillage.org.