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For Immediate Release Kane County Health Department Cancels Vaccination Clinics Today in Elgin and Aurora

Cancellation Due to FDA's Call to Pause Janssen (J&J) COVID-19 Vaccine

April 13, 2021 – The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) announced that due to recent events, today's vaccination clinics at the Elgin location at 1080 E. Chicago St., and the Aurora location at 970 N. Lake St., will be rescheduled. Today was the only day KCHD had planned to administer the Johnson and Johnson, also known as Janssen, COVID-19 vaccine this week.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration and Centers for Disease Control called to pause giving the J&J vaccine after six cases of a rare blood clotting have been reported. More than 6.8 million doses of the vaccine have been administered.

Those who were scheduled for a vaccination appointment today in Aurora and Elgin will be rescheduled for the Pfizer first dose next Tuesday, April 20. Those who wish to schedule sooner can go to KaneVax.org for other appointments.

"I would like to encourage everyone who was scheduled to receive the Johnson and Johnson vaccine today at the Aurora and Elgin mass vaccination sites to please reschedule their appointments," said County Board Chairman Corinne Pierog. "Our commitment to the safety of our residents is unwavering. Even though the CDC and IDPH have placed a pause on administering the Johnson and Johnson vaccine, residents should feel confident about Moderna and Pfizer and get vaccinated."

"We are working with State and Federal partners to monitor the situation. Our primary goal is protecting resident safety," said Kathy Fosser, MBA, SPHR, SHRM-SCP, Interim Executive Director, KCHD. KCHD will have updates as more information becomes available.

For additional information and current updates on the COVID-19 situation, visit the KCHD website at <u>www.KaneHealth.com</u> or call the health department at 630-208-3801.

COVID-19 Information: <u>https://www.kanehealth.com/Pages/COVID-Info.aspx</u> Vaccine Information: <u>https://www.kanehealth.com/Pages/COVID-Vaccine.aspx</u> Latest News Alerts: <u>https://www.kanehealth.com/Pages/News-Alerts.aspx</u>