

# COVID-19 VACCINE

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR FAMILIES

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### **When is my loved one's first opportunity to get vaccinated at St. John's Home?**

Walgreens Pharmacy is scheduled to begin providing COVID-19 vaccine to St. John's residents and select staff members on Wednesday, December 30, 2020 (at Penfield Green House Homes: January 5, 2021).

### **Which COVID-19 vaccine would my loved one get?**

St. John's residents and staff members will be given the Pfizer (BNT162b2) vaccine on December 30, 2020 (at Penfield Green House Homes: January 5, 2021) as well as second doses of the same vaccine on January 20, 2021 (at Penfield Green House Homes: January 26, 2021).

### **Is vaccination complete after the first dose?**

No, the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine requires a second dose 21 days later. Walgreens is scheduled to return on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 (January 26, 2021 for Penfield Green House Homes) to administer the second dose for those receiving the vaccine on December 30, 2020 (January 5, 2021 for Penfield Green House Homes).

### **Why is it important to get vaccinated?**

Nursing homes have been profoundly affected by COVID-19 in 2020. For the health and well-being of those who live and work at St. John's Home, it is vitally important for residents and staff members to receive the vaccine as soon as possible.

### **What should I know about the Pfizer vaccine?**

The two-dose Pfizer vaccine has been 95% effective against COVID-19 in clinical trials and is already being given to health care and other essential workers around the country and here in Rochester.

### **How can I ensure that my loved one receives the vaccine as soon as possible?**

To administer the vaccine, Walgreens needs verbal consent from each resident or resident's health care proxy by December 23, 2020. A St. John's representative will contact residents and health care proxies the week of December 21, 2020.

