

## **Statement on Potential COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution**

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"Our leadership team at Laurel Health Care Company is encouraged by the recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommendation that skilled nursing facilities be first in line to receive soon-to-be-approved COVID-19 vaccinations. We are engaged with the institutional pharmacy responsible for the circulation of the vaccines and will keep our staff, residents, and the families of our residents updated and informed on additional developments.

While this is exciting news, the ultimate decision on prioritization and distribution will rest with our state governments. For the sake of our most vulnerable citizens and dedicated frontline workers, we urge our state leaders to follow the advice of the CDC and make long term care staff and residents the absolute highest priority for a COVID-19 vaccine."

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