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COVID-19 Press Bulletin for 3-1-2021

Carson City, NV — Today, Caleb Cage, Nevada COVID-19 Response Director and Candice McDaniel, Health Bureau Chief for the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness.

This bulletin provides facts, figures, and informational items from the call. As a reminder, data is provided in a dashboard on the home page of the [Nevada Health Response](#) website and can be accessed 24 hours a day.

SUMMARY:

- As of today, Nevada has logged 293,980 cases, with the 14-day rolling average of daily cases being 311.
- Nevada has now completed a total of 2,725,701 molecular tests since the beginning of COVID-19.
- The test positivity rate over the last 14 days is 7.5%.
- The Nevada Hospital Association (NHA) reports Nevada is continuing to see a downward trajectory in hospitalizations.

- The NHA is also reporting there are currently 464 COVID-19 hospitalizations (391 confirmed; 73 suspected).
- Last week a report was issued on the State support of having children return to in-person learning as safely as possible.
- The full report can be found at [NVHealthResponse.nv.gov](https://www.nvhealthresponse.nv.gov). This report might be helpful for coverage on the first day back for in-person learning in Clark County.
- As of February 2021, the Nevada Division of Emergency Management has provided more than 4.5 million items of PPE to public, private, charter and Tribal schools throughout Nevada.
- To date, every educator in every county school district in the State has either received their first and/or second shot, is scheduled to get vaccinated, or has had the opportunity to access vaccination under this priority group.
- The Division of Public and Behavioral Health (DPBH) has worked to provide critical funding for disease investigation surge staff to support Clark County School District (CCSD) and the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD). There will be over 150 staff to support CCSD by mid-March.
- DPBH has been collaborating with the Nevada Department of Education on BinaxNOW rapid test rollout and distribution to all interested public, charter and private schools – regardless of their

model for in-person or virtual instruction.

- There are many more examples contained in the full report.
- As of February 28, 669,366 doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered and reported to NV WebIZ.
- Almost 14% of Nevada's population has now received at least one shot of vaccine.
- The Food and Drug Administration has issued Emergency Use Authorization for the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine
- Sunday, the CDC Director signed the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommendations endorsing the safety and effectiveness of the vaccine.
- At this time, the ACIP continues to meet to discuss any recommendations for this vaccine.
- This COVID-19 vaccine is one dose and will be available for those 18 and older.
- Like the other two vaccines, there will be a pro rata allocation of doses based on population.
- Nevada's first allocation is 24,000 doses.

- The Johnson & Johnson or Janssen vaccine has been shown to prevent severe COVID-19 illness, hospitalization, and death and is another tool to help combat COVID-19.
- A third vaccine offers more options to the public and medical experts are encouraging people to get whatever vaccine is available to them.

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