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## **Kankakee County COVID Mass Vaccination Event**

The Kankakee County Health Department with support from the Illinois Department of Public Health, the Illinois National Guard, Amita St. Mary's, the NAACP, Pembroke Fellowship Church, and Kankakee Community College, are pleased to announce a three-day mass vaccination event starting April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at Pembroke Fellowship Church from 9am-6pm and April 6-7 at KCC from 9am-6pm.

Registration must be completed online at ENTER LINK

Vaccination is open to all approved eligible residents including:

• Healthcare Workers

- Long-term care facility staff and residents
- Residents age 65 and over
- Frontline essential workers, including first responders, teachers, those working in manufacturing, postal employees and grocery
- Residents with high-risk medical conditions, including cancer, chronic kidney disease, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), diabetes, heart conditions, and pregnancy
- Government workers
- Media
- Restaurant Staff
- Construction Workers
- Religious Leaders

The Kankakee County Health Department is grateful for the support of the Illinois National Guard to assist in local vaccination efforts. Through this partnership, additional resources are expected to arrive in Kankakee to increase the number of individuals who can receive the COVID-19 vaccine. The Illinois National Guard will be working alongside the Kankakee County Health Department, partner agencies, and local volunteers to safely and effectively administer doses as they become available to Kankakee County.