

# *Designing for Care Equity*

STRATEGIES FROM A COMMUNITY COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC

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42% OF PHILADELPHIA'S POPULATION  
IS BLACK



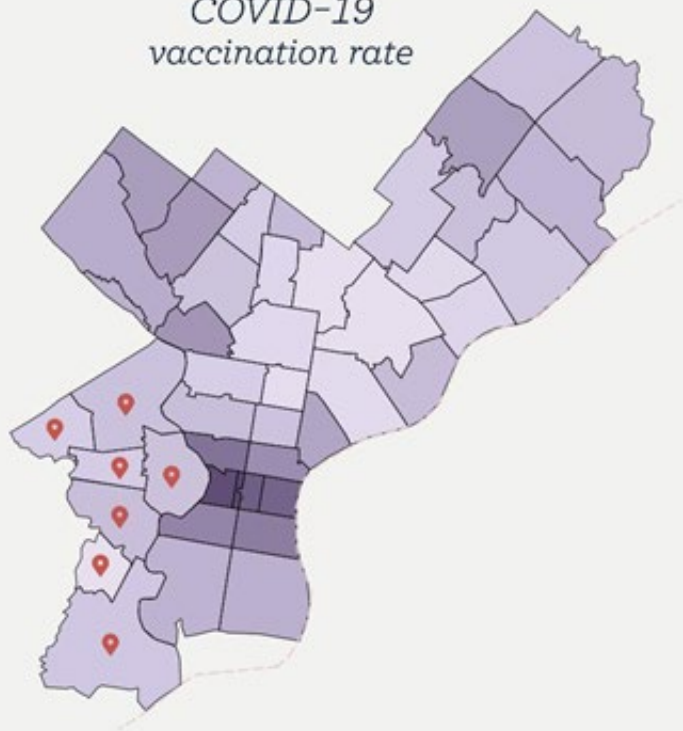
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25% OF THE BLACK POPULATION WAS  
VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19

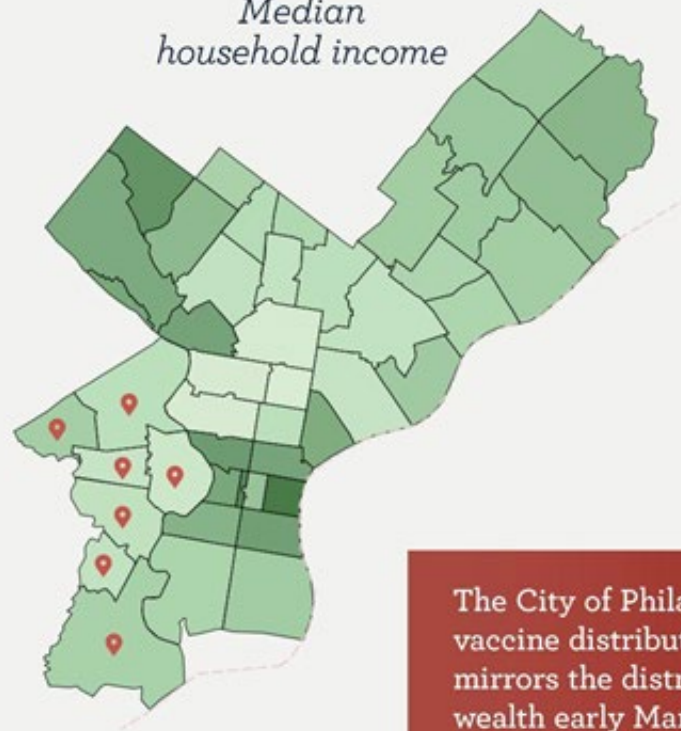


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*COVID-19  
vaccination rate*



*Median  
household income*



The City of Philadelphia's vaccine distribution closely mirrors the distribution of wealth early March 2021.



*Zip codes our clinics sought to target*







*empathize*



*ideate*



*define*



*test*



*prototype*



*partner.*





*Rev. William Shaw, pastor of West Philadelphia's White Rock Baptist Church & member of the Penn Medicine Board, receives his COVID-19 vaccination.*



## Penn Medicine & The Community.

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“ We want to get COVID-19 vaccines to especially hard-hit areas of our city to ensure protection for the residents who need it most.”

— P.J. BRENNAN, MD, CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER  
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Paris Butler

Drs. Paris Butler & Eugenia South of Penn Medicine hold a virtual community discussion and Q&A on the COVID-19 vaccine with **Lillian Schonewolf**, VP, Community Health and Well Being, Trinity Health Mid-Atlantic Region and community faith leaders.



Lil Schonewolf



Gina South



*geographic barriers*







*geographic barriers*



*technological barriers*

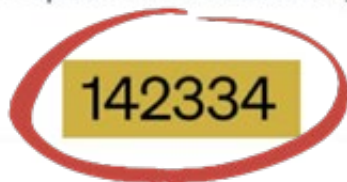
# You are currently in line for: COVID-19 Vaccination Appointment Sign-ups

Apologies for the delay. We're experiencing a very high volume of people who want to make appointments. The waiting room helps appointment scheduling sites work smoothly for all users. It will ensure you have the best possible online experience.

Your place in line is secure.



People in line ahead of you:



The line is paused.

**We're sorry, all appointments for next week are now filled.**

Thank you for your patience. Due to limited vaccine availability, we cannot offer you a COVID-19 vaccine appointment at this time.

*co-design.*



## Way to Health

Thanks for your interest in our FREE COVID Vaccine Clinic @ 6121 Cedar Ave on FEB 13 (DOSE 1) & MAR 13 (DOSE 2). Msg/data rates may apply. Text BYE to opt-out.

👉 **IMPORTANT:** The purpose of this clinic is to address the vast racial inequity in COVID outcomes and vaccine distribution by vaccinating our West & Southwest Philly \*Black and Brown\* communities hit hard by COVID.

Here are the zip codes this clinic is designed to serve: [19104](#), [19131](#), [19139](#), [19142](#), [19143](#), [19151](#), [19153](#)

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Let's schedule your appointments for FEB 13th and MAR 13th. Whatever time you choose for your 1st dose will also be your appt time for your 2nd dose.

What time works best?

- A. 8
- B. 830
- C. 9
- D. 930
- E. 10
- F. None of these times work



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*Pre-clinic touch points complemented the design of the in-person experience to ensure limited wait times and no long lines.*

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**CLINIC  
ENTRANCE**

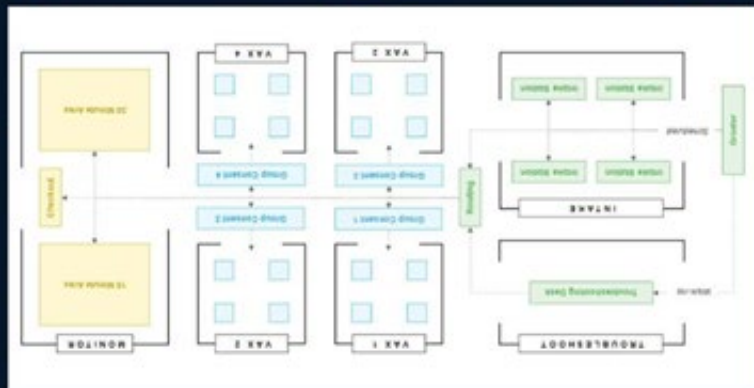


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*Volunteers pose, waving bright navigational wands to help guide patients & maintain a seamless flow throughout the clinic's different stations.*



Source: <https://twitter.com/kastlemd/status/1378481570814735880/photo/1>





A woman with glasses and a yellow face mask is sitting at a table in a hospital hallway. She is holding a blue paddle with the word 'READY' written on it. She is wearing a red t-shirt with the text 'Medicare Community Vaccine' and a black jacket. On the table in front of her are various items including a laptop, a bottle of hand sanitizer, a box of tissues, and a blue container. In the background, there are hospital gurneys and a set of double doors.

**READY**

**Dr. Chidinma Nwakanma,**  
*flashing a **READY** paddle to  
signal to the next patient that  
she is ready to vaccinate.*

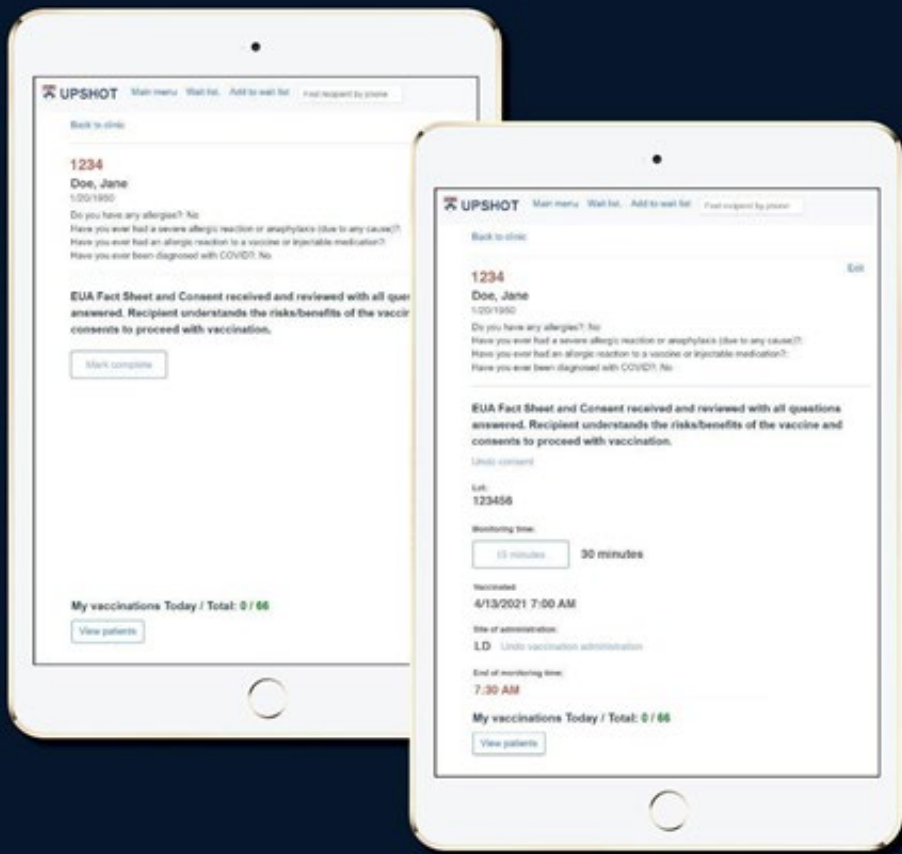


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## WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER GETTING A COVID-19 VACCINE

### Normal side effects



Pain



Swelling



Fever



Chills



Tiredness



Headache

### After you're vaccinated...



remember to get a second shot if one is required,



continue to wear a mask in public,



avoid crowds and stay 6 feet away from others,



and wash your hands often.



[cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://cdc.gov/coronavirus)

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Many people do have some side effects. This is a sign that your body is working to protect you from COVID-19 in the future.

For symptoms that do not improve after 2-3 days, call your doctor. If you do not have one, you can call 215-615-3222 to speak with a Penn Medicine nurse 24/7.



*A patient poses for a photo opportunity, celebrating his first COVID-19 vaccine dose provided at The Church of Christian Compassion in West Philadelphia.*



I GOT THE  
**COVID-19 VACCINE!**



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*Reasons Influencing Decision to Get Vaccinated at Community Clinic*

*n = 1609*



*partner.*

*co-design.*

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*+7,500 vaccine doses administered*



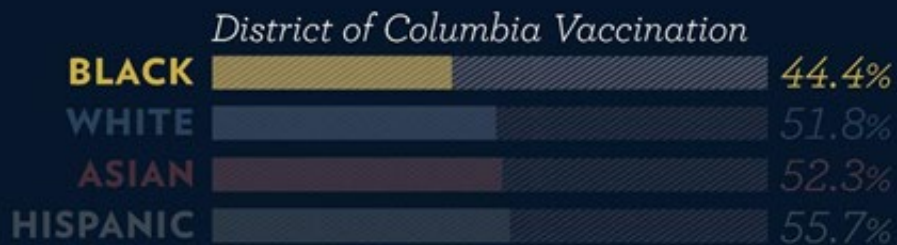
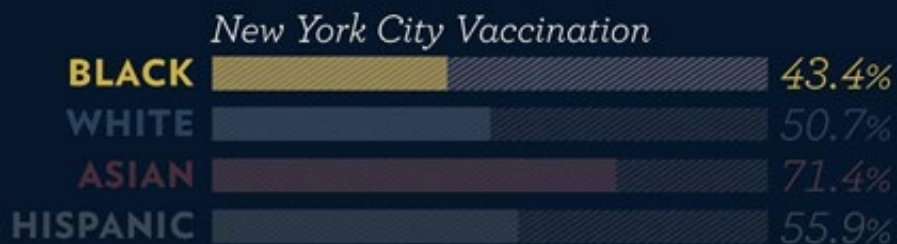
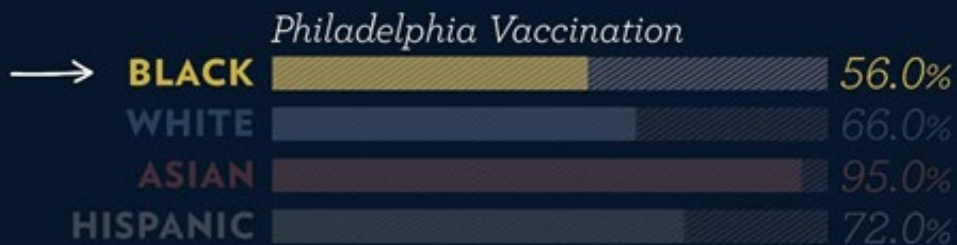
*85% of recipients self-identified as Black or Brown race*



*99.4% second dose show rate*



*Net Promoter Score of +90 across clinics  
(out of 100)*





with PennMedicine where I received my first shot. I had an appointment, waited less than five minutes and left with my second appointment in hand. The distribution of the vaccine is more than sticking needles in peoples' arms and PennMedicine's plan could and should be emulated by any organization before the city gives approval to any organization for additional vaccine doses.