



Short Message Report

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health-equity-dwg

1/22/2021, 7:30 PM

good morning everyone <here> I made a few edits for your review. I attached the vaccination site handout that I referenced (I think the race, ethnicity, and gender field options should be edited from a HE standpoint)

Employee 29

7:42 PM

ok ill take a look

Employee 30

7:37 PM

<here> just want to throw out there that I am really worried about equity issues as OM ramps up on vaccines. the messages about vaccines in arms being the priority above other issues and the gaming of the system by tech-savvy healthy young affluent people that we are seeing are really concerning to me. I think this doc is a good start but am wondering if you all also share those concerns and if yes if you might want to brainstorm the most productive ways to try to give input/make change.

Employee 29

7:40 PM

This is very concerning....particularly the self-booking. I have already had so many ppl asking to get to the front of the line when they are not eligible at this point, so unfortunately I dont think we can trust patients to self book. I am open to brainstorming and maybe we need to actually discuss this prior to releasing the recommendations or include that in our recommendations. Was this presented at a meeting today? I was at the Town Hall but didn't see that.

Employee 29

7:42 PM

this will definitely become problematic, no doubt about it just from seeing how COVID testing occurred at least here in DC

7:44 PM

I agree - today I received my vaccine and people were already waiting in line as an attempt to "jump the phase line"

7:45 PM

OM is not an exception to the CDC phase guidelines

:upvote: 1 •

Employee 29

7:47 PM

And we have that in the reccs but we should also maybe state it more strongly. I will take a stab at that and see what you all think. I hoping to get the Reccs out quickly given the vaccine rollo-out is heavily underway, but I do want us to do it right a tthe same time. I will go ahead and share it with from PH DWG even though we may likely make some changes

7:53 PM

If I may be so frank - I also find it problematic that members of the product team and remote staff who do not fall into phase 1a and 1b received the vaccine due to being OM employees. Those people were given priority over our higher risk patients

Employee 30

7:56 PM

do you all think we should/could discuss?

Employee 30

7:56 PM

i know it is hard to find time, but think it may be worth a conversation

Employee 29

8:02 PM

yes, i do think we should discuss asap....ill be available after my last pt appt today 5:10EST. I also miraculously have 2 open slots 3:10-4:10EST today if you all are available in the next few mins, doesn't have to be all of us . We could also shoot for early next Monday or Tuesday....or Thursday if we ultimately cant find a time since this is a priority

Employee 29

8:03 PM

FYI i also reached out to about our concerns waiting to hear back from her as well , not sure how much she has

been involved

Employee 29

8:13 PM

Update: [REDACTED] is going to reach out to the strategy team to find out if they have a mechanism to ensure only patients that are eligible can self book, she was under that impression, but I presume that may be very hard so she said she will check and let me know. Currently, per [REDACTED] they would have to sign an attestation re: eligibility prior to booking, of course this alone is still quite problematic

Employee 31

11:02 PM

Lets all chat. I'm free Tuesday afternoon. I think its a good discussion but also quite nuanced, so would be good to discuss and approach that OM may be receptive to.