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UMC PREPARES FOR VACCINES AFTER FDA APPROVAL; SET TO SHARE WITH PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS' PROVIDERS

EL PASO, Texas – University Medical Center of El Paso is making preparations for the vaccination of its frontline healthcare staff to take place after the anticipated receipt of more than 2,900 doses of a vaccine targeting the COVID-19 virus.

Of the more than 2,900 doses expected to arrive, UMC has asked its partners at El Paso Children's Hospital, Texas Tech Physicians of El Paso, the Medical Examiner's Office, affiliated community physicians, and emergency medical technicians, to provide names of frontline healthcare staff to be vaccinated at UMC.

"At this critical time in our community's battle with this virus, we want to be sure that our Associates and the frontline providers of our partners all receive the opportunity for vaccination at our hospital to ensure we have a stable, healthy workforce," said Jacob Cintron, UMC President & CEO.

During the vaccination process, Associates from UMC, nursing students from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center El Paso Hunt School of Nursing, nurses from El Paso Children's Hospital, and volunteer EMTs will administer the vaccinations.

UMC will not be allowing media during the vaccination of its staff but will be distributing still images and b-roll video of the process. It is extremely important to emphasize to the general public that vaccinations for the general public are not available at this time but are expected to begin in the first two months of 2021.

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