

## **SECOND DOSE OF VACCINE RESCHEDULED FOR JAN. 27 RECIPIENTS**

**Kirksville, MO 2/17/21** – The Adair County Health Department’s administration of the second dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID vaccine has been rescheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 24, at The Crossing, 810 East Shepherd Ave. in Kirksville. The second dose is only for those who received their first dose on Jan. 27, not for the general public.

The clinic is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Vaccine recipients should arrive at The Crossing at the same time as their first dose was scheduled on Jan. 27. There is no charge for the vaccine; however, Medicare beneficiaries are asked to bring their Medicare card with them to the clinic.

Frigid winter weather forced the postponement of the second dose administration originally scheduled for today.

“The temperatures are expected to return to above freezing next week,” said Jim LeBaron, Health Department administrator. “We need to take advantage of a 40-degree day to give people their second dose. It will make it much easier on those over the age of 65 and those with health conditions if they’re coming to the walk-in clinic on a much warmer day.”

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the second dose of the Pfizer vaccine should be administered at least 21 days after the first dose. The CDC recommendations also state: “There is no maximum interval between the first and second dose.”

“There is no issue with getting the second dose more than 21 days after the first,” LeBaron said. “There’s only an issue if you get the second dose too soon, so people should not be concerned about the delay.”