

Virus vaccination sites change in Atchison Co

(KAIR)--Changes are made regarding the locations of COVID-19 vaccinations in Atchison County.

According to a news release issued by the Northeast Kansas Multi-County Health Departments-Atchison County office, and Atchison County Emergency Management, the Sophia Center, in Atchison, will no longer be used for mass vaccination clinics because, the release says, "there is no longer enough demand to justify pulling staff off-site for an all-day event."

However, the release clarifies the change does not include the second dose appointments already scheduled at that location on May 6.

Despite the closing of that vaccination venue, the release says "there is still plenty of vaccine available for anyone wanting to get protected," and is available at several Atchison County locations.

The Health Department will be offering vaccinations to county residents, by appointment only. Currently available is the two-dose Moderna vaccine and the one-shot Johnson and Johnson vaccine.

Appointments can be arranged by calling 913-367-5152.

The Amberwell Health Hospital, in Atchison, is also continuing to offer vaccines, with those interested needing to visit the website nekshotofhope.org for information. The release notes that vaccination-related phone calls should not be placed to the hospital, as all information and appointment times will be released to the website.

The Atchison WalMart is also offering vaccinations, with the release saying appointments are required, and must be made online at the store's website.

All COVID-19 vaccinations are free.

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