

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## **CODAC Behavioral Healthcare To Offer COVID-19 Vaccinations On-site**

CODAC Playing a Role in The Battle Against COVID-19

Cranston, RI (May 18, 2021) - CODAC Behavioral Healthcare will be hosting COVID-19 vaccinations onsite at CODAC Providence, located at 349 Huntington Avenue on Wednesday, May 19<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am to 1pm. Administration of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine will be made available to all CODAC patients and staff. All patients who are currently receiving treatment at a CODAC location will be eligible, provided they meet basic criteria. CODAC asks that all who are eligible and interested, should register at a CODAC location or with a counselor.

CODAC is working fervently to improve access to treatment and care for its patients. To support this effort, it is paramount to ensure the safety and protection of both our patients and staff. As CODAC continues to reinforce COVID-19 guidelines shared by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH), CODAC also wants to encourage vaccination for all who are ready, willing, and able. As we collaborate with RIDOH on vaccinations, we hope to continue the push towards ending COVID-19.

Thank you to Governor Daniel J. McKee, Chief of Staff to the Governor, Anthony Silva, and the Rhode Island Department of Health for making this possible. "We are especially grateful for the understanding that access issues can be a significant barrier for our patients to obtain optimum health care. This includes the remarkably important process of obtaining preventative vaccines. So again, Thank you to all who made this possible and to our patients who are taking advantage of this opportunity and helping us all end COVID" said Linda Hurley, President & CEO of CODAC Behavioral Healthcare.

If you are a CODAC patient or staff and interested in receiving vaccination, please register at one of our

CODAC locations or call us at (401)490-0716.

## About CODAC Behavioral Healthcare

Founded in 1971, CODAC Behavioral Healthcare is Rhode Island's oldest and largest provider of outpatient services for opioid use disorder, other substance use disorders, and concurrent behavioral health challenges. With nine locations across Rhode Island, CODAC is uniquely positioned to provide services when and where they are needed. For more information about CODAC, visit: <u>www.codacinc.org</u>.

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