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WE CAN DO THIS

ANNOUNCES PARTNERSHIP WITH HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

The HHS COVID-19 public education campaign is a national initiative to increase public confidence in and uptake of COVID-19 vaccines while reinforcing basic prevention measures such as mask wearing and social distancing.

Through a nationwide network of trusted messengers and consistent, fact-based public health messaging, the campaign helps the public make informed decisions about their health and COVID-19, including steps to protect themselves and their communities.

The effort is driven by communication science and provides tailored information for at-risk groups.

WMS NEWSLETTER

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WE MUST TAKE ACTION

Together, we have the power to build a healthier information environment. Just as we have all benefited from efforts to improve air and water quality, we can all benefit from taking steps to improve the quality of health information we consume. Limiting the prevalence and impact of misinformation will help all of us make more informed decisions about our health and the health of our loved ones and communities.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, there have been significant efforts to address health misinformation. Here are just a few examples:

Trusted community members, such as health professionals, faith leaders, and educators, have spoken directly to their communities to address COVID-19-related questions (e.g., in town halls, community meetings, via social and traditional media).

Researchers have identified leading sources of COVID-19 misinformation, including misinformation “super-spreaders”.

Media organizations have devoted more resources to identify and debunk misinformation about COVID-19.

Some technology platforms have improved efforts to monitor and address misinformation by reducing the distribution of false or misleading posts and directing users to health information from credible sources.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Missionaries,

It is with immense gratitude and pride that I formally announce The Women Missionary Society's (WMS-AMEC) partnership to advance the HHS COVID-19 public education campaign. This very timely campaign will give WMS a platform to amplify the fulfillment of our mission and give greater priority to the improved health and well-being of African Americans, in particular women and children.

As such, we are honored to join a network of trusted messengers utilizing education to improve to increase awareness, understanding and confidence in science-based COVID-19 public health messages. Our campaign's messages will target African Americans nationwide with a focus on the states of Georgia and Ohio. Due to historic and present day health disparities and other social and economic inequities, African Americans have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, compounded by heightened vaccine hesitancy and mistrust.

Specifically, we are asking you to join events, as well as, share, like and repost these public health messages and events on your social media platforms. Together we can!

Blessings,
President Deborah Taylor King



DEFEND THE CHILDREN

Now, more than ever, to protect the progress we've made in bringing nearly all schools safely back for in-person learning, it is crucial that schools get as many students and staff vaccinated as possible.

Getting vaccinated is easy, safe, and effective. The newly available vaccine for children ages 5-11 is specifically formulated for kids, and it's more than 90% effective in preventing children from getting infected or having severe symptoms. It is our best defense against the virus, and our best path back to the regular, in-person learning our students and families know and love.

Every school can take action right away to make sure as many members of their school communities as possible get vaccinated.

All staff and students age 5+ in K-12 schools are eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine.



COVID-19 DEFENSE

What is COVID-19 and why is vaccination so important?

COVID-19 is an infectious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus. There's no way to know how COVID-19 will affect you. Most people have a mild case, but it can cause serious illness and death. COVID-19 has killed more than 860,000 people in the United States, making it a leading cause of death.

Some people develop long COVID, where they have symptoms that last for weeks or months.

Getting a COVID-19 vaccine reduces the risk that you'll:

- Get seriously ill, require hospitalization, or die from COVID-19.
- Spread the disease to others, putting their health and lives at risk.

The more COVID spreads, the more it can mutate, or change, creating variants. Highly contagious variants have caused nearly all COVID-19 infections in the United States for much of the pandemic.

Vaccinating as many people as possible is the best way to reduce:

- The spread of COVID.
- The chance of future variants developing that may be more dangerous.

How do I protect myself and others from COVID-19 until I get vaccinated?

If you're not yet vaccinated, you should do the following to protect yourself and others:

- Wear a mask when inside public places.
- Keep at least 6 feet away from people who don't live with you and who may not be vaccinated.
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid poorly ventilated spaces.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol if you don't have soap and water.



EVENTS

LISTEN & LEARN - 01/29/22

available for playback via Facebook
Women's Missionary Society of the AME Church

Podcast (2 part series):

Real Women Talking Real Health

02/02/22 & 02/09/22 @ 2 PM

via

Facebook - Women's Missionary Society of the AME Church

Youtube - AMEC International Health Commission

iHeart Radio - Real Women Talking...Health

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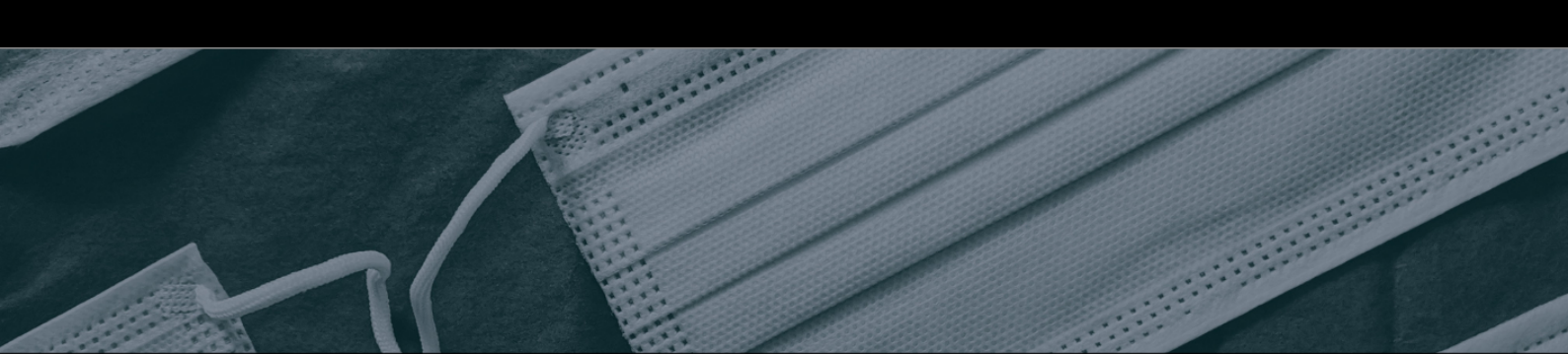
VACCINATION CLINICS

Feb. 5 Greater Allen AME Church Dayton OH

Feb. 11 Mt. Vernon AME Church Columbus OH

Feb. 12 United AME Church Xenia OH

For more Ohio Clinic information please contact
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BOOSTER SHOTS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR EVERYONE 12+ AND VACCINATED

**COVID-19 VACCINES CONTINUE TO WORK VERY WELL AT PREVENTING
SEVERE ILLNESS, HOSPITALIZATION, AND DEATH.**

**A BOOSTER SHOT IS AN EXTRA DOSE THAT HELPS KEEP UP YOUR
PROTECTION. WHEN TO GET YOUR BOOSTER STAY SAFER THIS WINTER.**

GET A BOOSTER AS SOON AS YOU'RE ELIGIBLE.

**PFIZER-BIONTECH
(5 MONTHS AFTER YOUR 2ND DOSE)**

**MODERNA
(5 MONTHS AFTER YOUR 2ND DOSE)**

**JOHNSON & JOHNSON'S JANSSEN
(2 MONTHS AFTER YOUR SINGLE DOSE)**

**Scan QR Code
for more information**



**ENCOURAGE OTHERS TO GET VACCINATED AND LEARN MORE
AT [CDC.GOV/CORONAVIRUS](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)**

HOW TO GET VACCINATED

Vaccines are here now and everyone age 5 and older in the United States can get them. You have three ways to find vaccines near you:

- Go to [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov)
 - Text your ZIP code to 438829
 - Call 1-800-232-0233
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