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Below please find the latest Covid-19 information since our last update:

Expansion of Staff Eligible for Vaccine:

- Earlier this week OPWDD released guidance that allowed for the expansion of which staff are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. Beginning January 5, 2021, staff who have routine direct contact with service recipients as part of their work in certified site-based or non-site-based day services (e.g. day habilitation, community habilitation, respite, and employment services), self direction, or in an Article 16 clinic, are eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine as part of the current phase of vaccinations. At this time, only staff (and not individuals served) are included in this next stage of prioritization.
- A full copy of that guidance can be found here: <https://files.constantcontact.com/5b48ae9f601/c3410e97-259f-4eaa-a3c7-191706bd8964.pdf>

NADSP Video – Facts About the COVID-19 Vaccine:

- NADSP in partnership with the American Academy of Developmental Medicine & Dentistry has developed a webinar directed towards Direct Support Professionals to address the facts and concerns associated with the COVID-19 vaccine.
- That webinar can be found here: https://nadsp.org/webinar-covid-19-what-dsps-need-to-know/?mc_cid=170f1faf45&mc_eid=6c9d68f409

For additional COVID-19 Resources, visit <https://nyalliance.org/coronavirus>