Health officials urge Kauaʻi residents to get vaccinated as case counts rise

Līhuʻe – Health officials are urging residents age 16 or older to get vaccinated as soon as possible as Kauaʻi daily COVID-19 case count increases with evidence of community spread and new variants.

Weekend or evening appointments are now available at select clinic locations.

Residents can choose the Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson vaccines based on which clinic they select.

“A vast majority of our current cases are residents, not visitors, and a majority of them are community-acquired,” said Dr. Janet Berreman, Kauaʻi District Health Officer. “Earlier this month we detected two of the more easily transmitted virus variants on Kauaʻi, and we are now seeing very high levels of transmission within households and at worksites. Thankfully, fully vaccinated people are mostly avoiding both the disease and the need to quarantine.

“Some people may mistakenly believe that children can’t get the disease, but 17 of our 47 cases are in people younger than 18. Children can get and spread this disease, and are not eligible for vaccine. The best way to protect them is for everyone in their household age 16 and over to get a vaccine.”

To receive the Pfizer vaccine (age 16+), please visit:

- Wilcox Medical Center in Līhuʻe (Saturday appointments available):
  \[http://WilcoxHealth.org/Vaccine\]
• Kauai Veterans Memorial Hospital (KVMH) in Waimea: https://kauai.hhsc.org/

• Samuel Mahelona Memorial Hospital in Kapa’a: https://kauai.hhsc.org/

• Safeway Līhu’e (weekend appointments available):

To receive the Moderna vaccine (age 18+), please visit:

  • Līhu’e Pharmacy (Evening appointments available Wednesdays through Fridays, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.): call (808) 246-9100 or visit https://kauairx.com/covid-19-vaccine-clinic/

  • Kaiser Permanente Līhu’e clinic: https://healthy.kaiserpermanente.org/hawaii/health-wellness/coronavirus-information/covid-vaccine

  • Longs ‘Ele’ele and Kōloa (evening and Saturday appointments available):
    https://www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine

  • Safeway Kapa’a (weekend appointments available):

  • Walmart (Weekend appointments available) http://www.walmart.com/COVIDvaccine

If signing up for a two-dose vaccine, please make both appointments at the same location to ensure you receive the same vaccine and that your two doses are registered in the same system for a complete vaccination record.

To receive the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine (age 18+) at Costco, please visit:

https://www.costco.com/covid-vaccine.html

More information is available at Kauai.gov/vaccine.

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