



State of Louisiana

Louisiana Department of Health Office of Public Health

Guidance on Receiving and Storing Pfizer Vaccine from Morris & Dickson

- Morris & Dickson, the Program's COVID-19 vaccine redistributor, will contact your site 24 hours before your delivery to confirm how many doses you need and agree to accept.
- Sites should only accept and receive the number of doses that you can guarantee will be used within 4 ½ days of receipt.
- Vaccine will come from Morris & Dickson at a refrigerated temperature.
- Upon vaccine arrival, please store in your refrigerator with temperatures between 2-8 degrees Celsius. Do not store refrigerated vaccine in a freezer.
- Your site has 4 ½ days to utilize the vaccine at the refrigerated temperature before it expires.
- Second doses will come in a separate shipment weeks later with quantities to match the dose 1 shipment. Do not retain any portion of dose 1 shipments for second dose purposes.
- To avoid any loss of vaccine please read the Programs' Avoiding Vaccine Loss document https://ldh.la.gov/assets/oph/Center-PHCH/Center-PH/immunizations/AvoidingCOVID19VaxLoss_12_31_20.pdf
- Call your Immunization Consultant if you know that within 48 hours of the expiration if you will not utilize the vaccine. Consultant contact information is located on the LINKS homepage. <https://lalinks.org/linksweb/>
- For general questions on vaccine please contact la.immunization@la.gov