

ACMS, ACMS Foundation, DCPD host vaccination clinics

The Allegheny County Medical Society and the ACMS Foundation's Front Line Relief Fund have mobilized again to fight COVID-19. Now on the offensive against the virus, vaccinations are underway in partnership with the Direct Care Physicians of Pittsburgh. On Jan. 10, 101 doses of the Moderna vaccine were administered to non-affiliated ACMS physicians and front-line providers.

ACMS additionally received interest in the vaccine from more than 1,000 front-line personnel. To help scale up the administration of the vaccine, ACMS hosted a second vaccination clinic on Jan. 17 at the new ACMS office at 850 Ridge Avenue. From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., physicians, medical students and volunteers served more than 300 Phase 1A eligible providers. ACMS and the DCPD have directly vaccinated more than 400 patients and directed hundreds of others to additional vaccination sites. Four more vaccination clinics are planned through the end of February. The Jan. 17 event was covered by both KDKA and WTAE.



From left are Jeremy Bonfini, ACMS CEO; Sam Urick, DO; Natalie Gentile, MD; Kirsten Lin, MD; Lela Dougherty, MD; and medical students Madalyn Fritch and Marie Schwalbe.



Above, ACMS CEO Jeremy Bonfini is joined by medical students to greet patients and collect vaccination intake forms. At right, from left, Marie Schwalbe, Madalyn Fritch and Terri Dowd staff the registration and patient text messaging desk to check in more than 300 patients.



At left, ACMS President Patricia Bononi, MD, vaccinates ACMS member Neal Niren, MD. Below, ACMS Board Member Bruce MacLeod, MD, vaccinates a Phase 1A healthcare professional.

