

Recommendations For Outdoor COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

Please refer to the bullets below for guidance on holding an outdoor COVID-19 vaccine clinic. If you have any questions, please email tempcheck@phila.gov.

Before the Clinic



- Always transport the vaccine in a purpose built, vaccine cooler with a DDL.
- Do not transport coolers inside a car trunk or in a hot vehicle. Cool the vehicle down first.

During the Clinic



- Make sure to document temperatures throughout the clinic.
- Keep the vaccine out of direct sunlight at all times.
- Vaccine should be prepared and administered under a shaded structure.
- Shade and water should be available for people waiting.

If a clinic is held outdoors and the projected high for the day is 77 F (25 C) or higher, the ambient air temperature should be monitored.

- **Pfizer (diluted):** can be held up to 8 hours between 47 F and 77 F (8 C and 25 C). Contact the manufacture for temperature allowances outside of the EUA at 1-800-438-1985 (option 3) or CVGovernment@Pfizer.com.



- **Moderna:** Punctured vials can be held for up to 12 hours between 47 F and 77 F (8 C and 30 C). Contact the manufacture for temperature allowances outside of the EUA at 1-866-663-3762 or Excursions@modernatx.com.
- **Janssen:** Punctured vials can be held for up to 2 hours between 47 F and 77 F (8 C and 30 C). Contact the manufacture for temperature allowances outside of the EUA at 1-800-565-4008 or JSCCOVIDTEMPEXCURSION@its.jnj.com.
- Keep a record of the time outside of the vaccine cooler. Return vial to the cooler between doses.

For vials that are opened but doses are not given at the clinic:



- Open vials can be transported.
- Pre-drawn syringes can be transported as a matter of last resort.
- Store pre-drawn syringes same as vials.