

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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Dear Students, Faculty, and Professional Staff,

I am writing to make sure you are aware that beginning this Wednesday, April 7, all Maine residents age 16 and older will be eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. The Maine CDC confirmed that this applies to out-of-state students attending college in Maine, including international students.

I strongly encourage you to sign up for a vaccination at any of the sites at which vaccines are being offered. UNE is prepared to hold vaccine clinics for our students and employees if and when the state is able to provide us with the vaccine. Nevertheless, I strongly recommend that students, faculty, and professional staff not wait on an on-campus clinic and move forward to get vaccinated at existing vaccination sites as soon as possible. UNE is in regular contact with the Maine CDC, and they are aware of our readiness to implement a UNE vaccine clinic.

You can find information on vaccine locations in Maine on the state's COVID-19 Vaccination in Maine page. As all adult Maine residents becoming eligible for vaccination, demand is anticipated to be high. I encourage you to check multiple sites for vaccine appointment availability and to continue to check these sites if you aren't immediately able to make an appointment.

Here are some of the places to sign up:

- Maine Health
- Walmart
- Northern Light Health

- Hannaford
- Walgreens

More information is available at une.edu/onward/frequently-asked-questions

As we transition back to in-person learning after more than a week of our undergraduate population sheltering in place, we have a renewed sense of how fragile our system of operating our campuses during a pandemic can be. The sooner we all get vaccinated, the less likely it is that we will risk similar situations in the coming weeks.

Sincerely,

James D. Herbert President