The Biopharmaceutical Industry's Efforts to Develop Vaccines for Coronavirus



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Our Commitment to Beat Coronavirus

We are rapidly screening our vast global libraries of medicines to identify potential treatments and have numerous clinical trials underway to test new and existing therapies We are dedicating our top scientists and using our investments in new technologies to speed the development of safe and effective vaccines We are **sharing the learnings from clinical trials in real time** with governments and other companies to advance the development of additional therapies

We are expanding our unique manufacturing capabilities and sharing available capacity to ramp up production once a successful medicine or vaccine is developed We are collaborating with government agencies, hospitals, doctors and others to donate supplies and medicines to help those affected around the world We are **working with governments and insurers** to ensure that when new treatments and vaccines are approved they will be available and affordable for patients



Our Commitment to Developing Safe and Effective Vaccines

America's Biopharmaceutical Companies Working Around the Clock to Beat Coronavirus

Companies are Coming Together to Achieve Shared Goal of Eradicating the Virus

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Washington, D.C. (March 20, 2020) — Today, the Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) and the Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO) underscored the industry's commitment to finding solutions to prevent, diagnose and treat those with COVID-19, a disease caused by a novel strain of coronavirus. The decades-long investments biopharmaceutical companies have made in new technologies, research and treatments have prepared the industry to act switty to respond to the public health crisis. PRESS RELEASE
PhRMA Statement on Biopharmaceutical Companies' Pledge on COVID-19 Vaccines

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PhRMA Statement on U.S. Food and Drug Administration COVID-19 Emergency Use Authorization Vaccine Guidelines

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Pharmaceutical Supply and Payment Chain Coalition Announces Guiding Principles for Safe, Efficacious Access to COVID-19 Vaccine

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Ensuring Diversity in Clinical Trials

- First Principles on Clinical Trial Diversity (released November 2020)
- 4 Primary Areas of Focus:
 - Educate the medical community and patients on the role of clinical trials
 - Promote information about diversity and inclusion in clinical trial participation, build trust while acknowledging wrong doings
 - Reduce barriers to clinical trial access (i.e. enrollment/ retention, trial design and eligibility criteria)
 - Use data to enhance information on diverse populations beyond product approval

Pharma trade group issues guidelines for improving diversity of clinical trial participants

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Stephen Ubl, president and CEO of PhRMA, at the 2020 STAT Summ

he pharmaceutical industry's largest lobbying organization released guidelines on Tuesday to enhance racial and ethnic diversity among participants in clinical trials run by its member drug makers. The principles address a problem that has long hampered the development of new medicines and vaccines, including the studies of <u>potential</u> <u>Covid-19 shots</u>.



https://www.phrma.org/Press-Release/PhRMA-Announces-First-Ever-Industry-Wide-Principles-on-Clinical-Trial-Diversity



Developing Treatments and Vaccines to Fight COVID-19





U.S. Clinical Trials of Vaccines

29 clinical trials testing vaccine candidates are occurring across 47 states and Washington, D.C.



Data as of 12/3/2020

Source: World Health Organization International Clinical Trials Registry Platform (ICTRP)

Using Many Approaches to Develop Vaccines



Addressing public misconceptions about mRNA vaccines

- Traditionally, vaccines work by exposing the body to a weakened (or dead) form of the virus.
 - mRNA uses the body's genetic machinery to create antigens that will trigger an immune response.
- mRNA does not use the live virus; it teaches the body to respond and fight.
- MRNA does not affect, interact or change DNA in your body.
- mRNA never enters the nucleus of the cells where our DNA material is kept.
- mRNA vaccines require less amounts of vaccine for manufacturing purposes.
- No mRNA vaccine approved to date, yet it's held to same rigorous standard as other vaccines.

mRNA Deeper Dive



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Tools to Safely Accelerate Vaccine Development During a Pandemic



Vaccine Development and Approval Milestones

FDA : EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION AND/OR APPROVAL



Phase 3 Trials Randomized, doubleblind, placebo-controlled trials with greater than 30K volunteers, including diverse populations.



Data Safety Monitoring Board Independent board evaluates data from ongoing Phase 3 trial, advises manufacturer, among other things, whether the pre-specified success criteria is met.

Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)

Granted by the FDA upon a determination, among other things, that based on the totality of scientific evidence available the vaccine may be effective and the known and potential benefits outweigh the known and potential risks. FDA plans to make its determination following a meeting of the Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRPBAC).



Biologics Licensure Application (BLA)

Includes additional safety and efficacy data along with further

product, manufacturing and clinical studies Information.

CDC ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON IMMUNIZATION PRACTICES (ACIP) : PRIORITIZATION AND ALLOCATION DECISIONS

National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine

Informs ACIP on which populations should receive priority for vaccines.

ACIP

Recommends plan for prioritization of populations to receive COVID-19 vaccines to CDC Director.

State/Local Jurisdictions

Create and implement allocation and distribution plans, taking ACIP guidance into account.

Delivery

Distributed to states based on data for prioritized groups, begins 24 hours after EUA granted.

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Source: Adapted from Operation Warp Speed https://media.defense.gov/2020/Nov/05/2002529886/-1/-1/1/OPERATION-WARP-SPEED-VACCINE-DELIVERY-MILESTONES.PDF

Next steps after a vaccine is authorized by FDA

1) CDC's ACIP (Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices): recommends standards for coverage, payment, clinical recommendations, prioritized population recommendations

2) Dept of Defense (purchases vaccines that will be free, distribution by National Guard to satellite locations)

3) Vaccine administration by healthcare providers at Points of Dispensing (POD) locations

- 3) Post Trial Safety Monitoring continues (manufacturers & monitoring systems):
- Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS): monitors side effects with VSD, PRISM, CISA
- Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD): monitoring of adverse events through e-health records

4) Manufacturers: focus on R&D, clinical trials, manufacturing efforts to meet global demand (in addition to ongoing safety monitoring)

Vaccines Distribution – Initial Process



Source: Operation Warp Speed

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State Challenges Pertaining to Logistics

- 1) New systems and processes
- 2) Phased rollout to high priority populations (states ultimately decide; federal ACIP guide)
- 3) Provider enrollment and onboarding to administer/record vaccines
- 4) Ultracold storage requirements (unique requirements that impacts distribution/adherence)
- 5) Multiple vaccines and doses (requires different doses; not interchangeable, need right time)
- 6) Mass vaccination sites (Hospitals, pharmacies, CHCs, FQHCs, RHCs, mobile sites, schools, worksites, etc.)

Source: NGA COVID Resources for States: December 2020

Our Work on Vaccine Confidence







Where to Go for More Information



For More Resources and Information, Visit PhRMA.org/Coronavirus & PhRMA.org/Vaccines

