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### **COVID Update**

Burwell, NE – As of Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2,376 COVID-19 cases have been reported by Loup Basin Public Health Department (LBPHD). Due to the low case counts in recent weeks, LBPHD has decreased its frequency to a weekly update to the public on their website ([www.lbphd.org](http://www.lbphd.org)) and social media (Facebook & Instagram).

On Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, the FDA granted its third Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for a coronavirus vaccine. The Johnson & Johnson product is the first COVID-19 vaccine to be a single dose vaccination.

With the approval, LBPHD anticipates an increasing amount of vaccine allocation for the 9-county district. The Health Department encourages everyone, no matter what vaccine priority group they are in, to register via <https://vaccinate.ne.gov>. If you do not have access to the internet, individuals may call the DHHS COVID hotline (833)998-2275 to be assisted with the registration process.

As of February 27<sup>th</sup>, LBPHD and its vaccine partners have administered 7,532 COVID-19 vaccines. Of the total, 5,171 (69%) are first doses and 2,361 (31%) are second doses.

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