Jurisdictional Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine ‘Pause’ Press Statement Compendium

As of April 13, 2021

Overview
On April 13, 2021, CDC and FDA released a joint statement recommending a pause to the administration of Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) COVID-19 vaccine after rare and severe blood clots were reported after vaccine administration. In light of this recommendation, states have issued similar guidance to vaccine providers out of an abundance of caution. A summary of state health agency and state governor’s press statements are below. Please note: this information was collected as part of a high-level environmental scan and is up to date as of 3 p.m. ET on April 13, 2021.

Alabama: [Alabama providers asked to pause administering Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine]
Alaska: [Administration of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine paused for national safety review; mRNA vaccine administration will continue in Alaska and nationally]
Arizona: [Arizona Department of Health Services Recommends Pause in Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine]
California: [CDPH Issues Statement on Johnson & Johnson/Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine]
Colorado: [Colorado pauses use of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine after joint FDA and CDC announcement]
Connecticut: [CTDPH Statement on Pause In the Use of J&J Vaccine]
Florida: [Johnson & Johnson Vaccine Paused In Florida]
Georgia: [DPH Follows FDA and CDC Guidance Pausing J&J Vaccinations in Georgia]
Idaho: [DHW recommends Idaho providers follow FDA and CDC guidance to temporarily pause administering the Johnson & Johnson vaccine]
Illinois: [Illinois Department of Public Health Pauses Use of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine]
Indiana: [HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO PAUSE USE OF JOHNSON & JOHNSON VACCINE; MEDIA AVAILABILITY SCHEDULED]
Iowa: [State Pausing Johnson & Johnson Vaccine Administration]
Kansas: [Kansas Pauses Johnson & Johnson Administration]
Louisiana: [Out of extreme caution, Louisiana Department of Health puts temporary pause on all Johnson & Johnson vaccine]
Maine: [ADVISORY: Maine Advises Pause for Johnson and Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine]
Maryland: [Media Advisory: Maryland Department of Health Statement on Administration of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine]
Michigan: [Michigan temporarily pausing use of Johnson & Johnson vaccine based on FDA and CDC guidance]
Minnesota: State advises providers to follow federal pause on use of Johnson & Johnson vaccine during review
Missouri: Janssen Vaccine Suspended
Nebraska: Nebraska To Pause Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine
Nevada: Nevada Health Response issues statement on federal “pause” regarding use of Janssen vaccine
New Jersey: Statement from New Jersey Health Commissioner Judith Persichilli
New Mexico: Statement from New York State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker Regarding Johnson & Johnson Vaccine
New York: Statement from New York State Health Commissioner Dr. Howard Zucker Regarding Johnson & Johnson Vaccine
North Carolina: Statement from NCDHHS on FDA and CDC Paused Administration of Johnson & Johnson Vaccine
Ohio: Ohio Advises Temporary Pause for Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine
Oklahoma: OSDH asks all vaccine sites to immediately pause use of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines
Oregon: OHA asks the state’s vaccine providers to immediately stop administering the Johnson & Johnson vaccine
Rhode Island: Johnson and Johnson Vaccine Pause
South Carolina: DHEC Statement on Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 Vaccine
South Dakota: Statement from Health Secretary Kim Malsam-Rysdon Regarding Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine
Tennessee: Tennessee Department of Health Statement on Johnson & Johnson Vaccine
Texas: DSHS Statement on Johnson & Johnson Vaccine
Utah: Statement on Johnson & Johnson vaccine
Vermont: Vermont follows federal recommendation to pause use of Johnson & Johnson vaccine
Virginia: Statement from Virginia State Vaccination Coordinator Dr. Danny Avula On Pause in Administration of Johnson and Johnson Vaccine
West Virginia: Gov. Justice In accordance with CDC and FDA, all Johnson & Johnson vaccine administration paused in West Virginia
Wisconsin: Wisconsin DHS Pauses Administration of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine