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## PRESS RELEASE

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Subject: **Illinois Department of Public Health Pauses Use of Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine**

(Charleston, IL) The pause on Johnson & Johnson (J & J) COVID-19 vaccine has been out of an abundance of caution, as advised by CDC and FDA. Anyone who have received the J & J vaccine who develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath should contact your health care provider.

Coles County Health Department does not have any J & J vaccine clinics scheduled.

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**SPRINGFIELD** – In accordance with recommendations from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) will pause the use of the Johnson & Johnson (J&J) COVID-19 vaccine out of an abundance of caution. The CDC and FDA are reviewing data involving six reported U.S. cases of a rare and severe type blood clot in individuals after receiving the J&J vaccine.

Per the federal health authorities, people who have received the J&J vaccine who develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath within three weeks after vaccination should contact their health care provider. Patients with other clinical questions should contact their health care provider.

IDPH will continue to update the public as additional information becomes available.