We have received several calls about the availability of the COVID-19 vaccine. Yesterday, January 5th the Texas Department of State Health Services provided an update to county judges. The availability of the vaccine continues to be problematic throughout the state.

Essentially, you should be able to receive the vaccine if you are in the medical field, over 65, or have an existing medical condition that impacts your ability to withstand the virus. In reality, the number of available doses is less than anticipated. TDSHS encourages providers to use the doses they have and not keep them in reserve.

As of today, there is one approved location in Callahan County to receive the vaccine. Other locations have made application to be a provider but currently, the United Pharmacy in Clyde is the only provider in Callahan County. Their supply of the vaccine has been expended and it is not known when it will be resupplied.

TDSHS has a web site that provides information on the locations and availability of the vaccine in the region. That web site is

https://txdshs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=91ac7fb5e5fd47e7ada4acfe4a 05920a.

This map in interactive. Select a location on the map and it will bring up the location and contact information for the provider and will indicate if that location has a supply of the vaccine.

As of yesterday, January 5th, providers in Snyder (325-573-1300), Ballinger (325-365-2531), Hamilton (254-386-1700), and Winters (325-754-4553) are the nearest locations that website shows as having vaccine in stock. You may call these providers to determine whether they still have a supply and make an appointment to receive the vaccine. We will try to keep this information up to date but, for the most current information, check this website frequently.

Please share this information with your friends and loved ones who do not have computer access or do not use social media. If transportation to one of these sites is problematic, Central Texas Rural Transit District / City And Rural Rides (800-710-2277) may be able to assist.

UPDATE 1/6/2021: Resourcecare in Clyde will be receiving a supply of the vaccine.