

## **Optometrist Registration Required for COVID-19 Vaccinations**

Optometrists must enroll in the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Immunization Program to be eligible to administer COVID-19 vaccines in Texas. Please note, if you do not see optometrists listed in the enrollment portal as an option, it is suggested that you contact [covid19vacenroll@dshs.texas.gov](mailto:covid19vacenroll@dshs.texas.gov) for assistance with enrollment.

The Texas Optometry Board expects all optometrists to comply with all of the CDC requirements for vaccine providers. The CDC has a number of mandatory requirements, including that providers *must* administer vaccine regardless of a recipient's ability to pay, provide a vaccination record to each recipient, store doses of vaccine under the proper conditions, and report the number of doses received, used and lost for any reason. All COVID-19 vaccine providers must log their vaccination activities in an online portal.

**Learn more about becoming a COVID-19 vaccine provider here:**

<https://www.dshs.texas.gov/coronavirus/immunize/provider-information.aspx>

**Register here:**

<https://enrolltexasiz.dshs.texas.gov/>