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**VACCINE DELAY FORCES RESCHEDULING OF 5,000 MODERNA
2ND DOSE RECIPIENTS PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED FEB. 14-18**

EL PASO, Texas – University Medical Center of El Paso announces today that, due to a delay in receiving its **second dose of Moderna** from the State of Texas, UMC will be making the following changes to next week's schedule:

- Only those individuals with an appointment for **second dose Moderna between Feb. 14 and 18** will be rescheduled for an appointment at a later date. **UMC is directly contacting those affected by this change.** Once we have confirmation as to when the second dose of Moderna will arrive, we will be contacting each of those individuals to schedule their appointment.
 - *NOTE: CDC guidelines currently allow for a second dose to be administered within six weeks after the initial dose.*
- Those scheduled to receive their second dose of Pfizer with appointments between Feb. 16 and Feb. 20 will not be

impacted. The State has authorized for UMC to use next week's first-dose Pfizer shipment to vaccinate those coming in for a second dose.

- Regarding this week's registration process, UMC will not be opening up its scheduling process, online portal or phone line, for new, first-time appointments for the week of Feb. 13 through Feb. 19.

Individuals scheduled to return to UMC's coliseum site should check their CDC card to verify which vaccine they received and if any of these changes mentioned above may impact them.

UMC will continue to keep our community and local media updated as additional information is made available on vaccine shipments.

UMC is evaluating its current system to further refine its process to better serve the community.

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