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## EBRCOA Begins Weekly Pop-Up Vaccination Clinic on Wednesday, March 10th

**BATON ROUGE, Louisiana** (3/5/2021) – The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is excited to announce the start of a weekly pop-up vaccination clinic every Wednesday and Thursday at The EBRCOA Lotus Center 1701 Main Street, 70802 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The weekly clinic will start Wednesday, March 10, 2021.

Appointments are required. Those interested in reserving an appointment can either register online at <a href="https://www.mhealthsystem.com/EBRCOA-LotusCenter">www.mhealthsystem.com/EBRCOA-LotusCenter</a> or by calling the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging Call Center at 225-831-9200.

Masks will be required and social distancing will be strictly enforced in order to keep both staff and patients safe while moving hundreds through the vaccination process.

"We are honored to be a trusted community partner to facilitate access to the vaccinations in our community. I implore the community to take the initiative to register for an appointment and to equip themselves to fight against this horrible virus," stated Tasha Clark-Amar, CEO of EBRCOA.

The weekly pop-up vaccination clinic is the result of a community partnership modeled and developed through intensive planning among several partners such as the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), Office of Public Health, the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging, Office of the Baton Rouge Mayor-President Sharon Weston-Broome, the Governor's Health Equity Task Force, the Louisiana Legislative Black Caucus, the Louisiana National Guard and Albertsons. This model is a community collaboration that ensures consistent access to vaccines is equitable, and to make sure anyone who is eligible for a vaccine can receive one.

For more information, call the Council on Aging at (225) 923-8000.

The East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA) is a non-profit organization serving the senior population of East Baton Rouge Parish. Annually, our agency delivers 1,105,820 meals through our "Meals on Wheels" Program and our senior centers and meal sites.

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Since 1973, the East Baton Rouge Council on Aging (EBRCOA), a 501c3 nonprofit supported by philanthropic donations and public funds (federal, state, and local), has served the seniors of East Baton Rouge Parish through a spectrum of nutritional and social services such as the nationally recognized Meals on Wheels program and over a dozen community senior centers throughout the Parish. EBRCOA is charged with discovering and meeting the growing needs of this ever-increasing population. Central to EBRCOA's mission – Supporting Independence and Serving Seniors – is proving high-quality services to seniors, the maintenance of their personal independence, and the enhancement of their storied lives while being good fiduciary stewards of public funds and trust. More information about EBRCOA and its services can be found online at <a href="https://www.ebrcoa.org">www.ebrcoa.org</a>.