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NCBW Helps Promote COVID-19 Vaccine Access at Walgreens Stores Across the Country

The national organization provides authoritative information and local vaccination sites

ATLANTA, GA., April 14, 2021 – As part of its partnership with Walgreens, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Incorporated (NCBW), remains committed in its grassroots efforts in alerting people in medically underserved communities about access locations for COVID-19 vaccination shots.

So far, Walgreens has given over 11-million vaccinations and is now administering vaccines at a majority of its stores in 49 states, Washington, D.C. and Puerto Rico. Close to 60,000 immunizers are now administering vaccinations at more than 7,000 Walgreens stores and off-site clinics.

NCBW's 3,300 plus members in 61 chapters around the country are assisting in the national vaccination and Pandemic response efforts. This is part of the vaccine equity initiative with Walgreens. NCBW is also helping Walgreens build trust in communities of color, who are most reluctant to get vaccinated and are disproportionately dying from COVID-19. The partnership has provided credible and timely information about phased vaccine availability and eligibility.

Walgreens has conducted nearly 500 COVID-19 vaccine clinics to date in underserved areas across the country, including locations in California, Illinois, Georgia and Mississippi. Hundreds more off-site clinics are planned for the months ahead.

“This wonderful partnership has been pivotal in engaging the black communities we serve. These communities are often socially and economically marginalized. They are also medically underserved and disproportionately affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic. Teaming up with a major company like Walgreens has helped remove barriers and fears around vaccinations,” said Virginia W. Harris, NCBW National President.

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The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Incorporated is a 38-year-old advocacy organization whose vision is that black women and girls will live in a world where socio-economic inequity does not exist. Thus, we advocate on behalf of black women and girls to promote leadership development and gender equity in the areas of health, education and economic empowerment. As a voice for millions of black women and girls in the United States, the Coalition believes in inclusion, respect, racial and social justice, integrity, accountability and collaboration. For more information visit the National Coalition of 100 Black Women Inc. at www.ncbw.org

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