



**Reeves County**  
Hospital District

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## **RCHD Offers Vaccines For All Adults as Hospital Reopens Doors to Visitors**

*RCHD is urging everyone in the community to get vaccinated.*

PECOS, Texas (April 9, 2021) – Reeves County Hospital District is urging everyone in the community to get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as possible. RCHD is providing vaccines at the Reeves County Civic Center every Wednesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 pm to 5 pm.

“Please be part of the solution – don’t delay your COVID-19 vaccine,” said Brenda McKinney, CEO of Reeves County Hospital District. “We are asking everyone to get vaccinated so we can protect our family and friends from the dangerous illness. The sooner everyone gets vaccinated, the sooner we can get back to our everyday lives.”

All Texans 16 and over are able to receive the lifesaving COVID-19 vaccine. According to McKinney, as of April 1, less than 28% of Reeves County residents have received a dose.

Achieving herd immunity depends on ensuring that as many people as possible are vaccinated. Vaccines approved for use in the United States are safe and effective at preventing COVID-19. They do not contain a live virus and cannot cause COVID-19 infection.

McKinney said the hospital district is grateful to the volunteers who have for weeks assisted in the vaccine clinic provided in Pecos and at the Reeves County Civic Center.

“Our staff and volunteers have made a tremendous difference in our ability to provide vaccines over the past several weeks,” McKinney said. “We are grateful for the time that they have donated to help the community.”

As more people get vaccinated in Reeves County, the hospital is beginning to allow more visitors. RCHD now allows up to two visitors, ages 18 and over, per patient during a single day. One visitor will be allowed in the hospital at a time. New armbands will be created each day and provided to visitors. Masks will be required at all times. The lobby and cafeteria will remain closed to visitors. Visiting hours end at 9 p.m.

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Construction continues on RCHD's new hospital campus, which is expected to complete in late 2021. Recently, the construction team installed windows and began to energize mechanical and electrical systems. Interior finishes are also taking shape. With much of exterior work complete, construction on the parking areas will begin in the coming weeks.

The new hospital campus will boast more than 140,000 square feet of space to house general facilities with 25-beds, expanded space for core services including a larger emergency department, and upgraded technology. The new campus will also be in better compliance with requirements for disabled patients and visitors.

RCHD has continued to grow with the community over the years, adding new physicians in a variety of specialties. In addition to family medicine, Reeves County residents can find providers in a variety of specialties such as women's health and general surgery at both the hospital and the Pecos Valley Rural Health Clinic, a service of Reeves County Hospital District.

As the community looks to the future of healthcare, McKinney urged everyone to get vaccinated.

"Getting vaccinated helps protect everyone," McKinney said. "You can take comfort knowing that safe and effective vaccines are available in our community through Reeves County Hospital District."

To learn more about local medical services and providers, visit [www.reevescountyhospital.com](http://www.reevescountyhospital.com) or call (432) 447-3551 to schedule an appointment.

### **About Reeves County Hospital District**

Reeves County Hospital District (RCHD) provides healthcare services for people in Reeves County and neighboring communities in West Texas. Founded in 1954, RCHD, a Level IV Trauma Center, offers a wide variety of medical services, including emergency care, diagnostic radiology, physical therapy, general surgery, a clinical laboratory and more. RCHD also operates American Home Health and Hospice and the Pecos Valley Rural Health Clinic, which offers family care, immunizations and other medical services. For more information, please visit [www.reevescountyhospital.com](http://www.reevescountyhospital.com).

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