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**Good news on the COVID-19 vaccine front!**

I am very pleased to tell you that, in the very near future, we are expecting our first delivery of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine from the New York City Bureau of Immunization. As a result, we’ll be able to start the vaccination process with some employees very soon.

To support this process, we have established a VNSNY COVID-19 Vaccine Work Group, which is developing a plan for COVID-19 vaccine administration. According to government guidelines, the first VNSNY employees who will be eligible to receive this vaccine are our field clinicians and Partners in Care home health aides. We don’t yet know exactly how many vaccine doses we will be getting in our first delivery, but our plan is to begin by offering the vaccine to those field staff who are at highest risk for COVID-19 infection, based on their work assignments and other risk factors. As additional vaccine is received, we will be offering COVID-19 vaccinations to the remainder of our field staff, and will then make the vaccine available to the rest of our staff as well.

I think you’ll agree that this is exciting news! Moving forward, we’ll be updating you on a regular basis about the COVID-19 vaccine and how it will be offered to staff. Thank you and stay safe.

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