Access Checklist for Vaccination Sites in Idaho

Ensuring Vaccine Sites are Accessible to Idahodians with Disabilities









Checklist to Ensure that Vaccine Sites are Accessible to People with Disabilities

This checklist consists of three sections that can be used independently of each other, and the checklist should be completed in its entirety to assess the accessibility of vaccination sites. It should be used for all vaccination sites including walk-in, drive-through, pop-up, and mobile unit sites.

Section 1: Vaccination Registration/ Appointment Checklist for Non-Structural Elements provides instructions for people with disabilities registering for the vaccine on line or by phone. It also is a tool to assess other access needs including equally effective communication that they might have.

Section 2: Vaccination Site Checklist for Non-Structural Elements is a tool to assess a vaccine site's capacity to provide access to people with disabilities that is non-structural in nature.

Section 3: Structural Checklist for Drive-Through and Walk-in Vaccination Sites is a tool to assess adherence of structural elements of vaccine sites with Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility Guidelines (ADAG).

The checklists are based on obligations held by government entities and public accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq (ADA) and the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. § 701 et seq (Rehab Act). Some items in the checklist such as peer support specialists, self advocate specialists and use of plain language are not addressed in the ADA or Rehabilitation Act, but are regarded as a best practice.

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Vaccination Registration/ Appointment Checklist for Non-Structural Elements

Registration/Making an Appointment

Is the website accessible to people with disabilities who do not read print due to their disability? Does the website meet WCAG 2.2 guidelines, e.g. is the user allowed to turn off the time limit before encountering it?

Yes No

Are people registering for the vaccine able to request a reasonable accommodation for the registration process, e.g. they need assistance completing the form?

Yes No

Are the following questions and instructions included on the registration website or asked during phone vaccine registrations?

Please bring a portable chair (if possible) if you need to sit while waiting in line.

Vaccine site staff will be able to assist you in reading and filling out forms if you need this.

If you need emotional support, a peer support specialist may be available on-site or virtually. You can ask at the check-in area if you need this.

If you need help understanding what is going on because of your disability, you can ask for a self-advocate assistant when you check in.

Do you need a sign language interpreter?

Yes No

Do you need a Deafblind interpreter?

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Registration/Making an Appointment (Continued)

Do you need written material to be in accessible alternate format?

Yes No

Do you need large print?

Yes No

Do you need Braille? (If document is short, a reader may be an alternative)

Yes No

Do you need material to be read to you?

Yes No

Do you need other accessibility accommodations?

Yes No

If you answered "yes" please specify.

Vaccination Site Checklist for Non-Structural Elements

Please complete the checklist below for all drive-through and walk-in vaccinations sites.

Check in Is there a policy allowing companions to accompany people with disabilities who need on-site assistance? Yes No Are sign language interpreters available on-site to interpret for individuals who are Deaf during registration, the vaccination process, and while waiting after the vaccine is administered? Yes No When are the sign language interpreters available? Is this information about sign language interpreters made available on the electronic registration site? Yes No Is it posted at the physical vaccination site? Yes No Are registration, consent and other forms available in alternate format? (large print, electronic format, easy-to-read, Braille) Yes No

Which alternate formats are the forms available in?

Vaccination Site Checklist for Non-Structural Elements

Check in (Continued)

	assist in reading and filling out forms for people with difficulty or do not read print or write?
Are staff available to while maintaining dis	escort blind people who need assistance in site navigation tance? No
with psychiatric disal	cialists available on site or virtually to assist individuals bilities who may need support while waiting in line, in the g the vaccination or while waiting?
Is the availability of the site?	he peer support specialist made known at the vaccination
Yes	No
	vailable on site or virtually to assist individuals with s in understanding and managing the process?
Is the availability of s Yes	elf-advocates made known at the vaccination site? No
• •	accinating people that cannot stand for long periods of tim t their own chair, e.g. provide a chair, advance them in line? No
What is that policy?	

Section 2 Vaccination Site Checklist for Non-Structural Elements

Check in (Continued)

Note: This is required and ADA, service animals and individually trained animals are permitted to people with disabilities threat to the safety of the safet	under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). "Under the are defined as dogs (or miniature horses) that are specifically to perform a task or tasks for the person with a disability. These to accompany the person with the disability anywhere that are allowed to go so long as the animal doesn't pose a direct he person or others" (Northwest ADA Center Accessibility at es). Documentation for service animals is not required.
Are vaccination site s	staff provided training on this policy?
Yes	No
Are there circumstan of the line because of Yes	ces where someone would be allowed to move to the front f their disability?
Please describe exan	nples of these circumstances.
If "ves." have staff be	en instructed on this policy?
Yes	No

Structural Checklist for Drive-Through and Walk-In Vaccination Sites

This checklist is developed based on the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines.

Hints on using this section of the checklist

- 1. Begin by assembling a few basic measuring tools: a tape measure; a two-foot level; and a spring gauge or door pressure assessment device to ascertain door pressure weight (i.e., pressure).
- 2. Work from the outside in. Begin by assessing parking, walkways, drop-off areas, exterior ramps, and entrances, then proceed to interior spaces corridors; restrooms; elevators; registration, vaccination, and waiting areas; and then any communications features such as signage. Proceeding in this sequence parallels the experience of people as they undergo the vaccination process. By following this sequence, it is less likely that you will miss things.
- 3. Use the "Comments" space provided in each section to describe conditions that need attention or correction, or to add details that cannot be adequately addressed in the questionnaire. Recorded comments ensure that faulty memory the bane of accurate assessment does not produce inaccurate evaluation results.

Structural Checklist for Drive-Through and Walk-In Vaccination Sites

Glossary of checklist terms

Use and application of a checklist is greatly aided when you understand what the terms mean and why the conditions they describe are important to people with disabilities. The following terms are all used in the checklist:

Access aisle (parking): The access aisle is the hatch-worked space beside the area for the vehicle that provides room for maneuvering and/or lowering a ramp. A standard accessible space is made up of the area for the vehicle (10 feet wide), plus an access aisle (five feet wide). Standard accessible spaces may share an access aisle. (See below for information on van-accessible spaces.)

Door hardware (non-compliant): Non-compliant door hardware is any hardware that requires a closed fist or grasping action to operate. Knobs are a typical example of non-compliant hardware. (Lever hardware is an example of compliant hardware.)

Door pressure weight: Door pressure weight (or resistance) is the pressure exerted by a door as it is opened; the term does not refer to the weight of the door itself. The maximum pressure weight for an interior door is 5 pounds; there is no standard maximum pressure weight for exterior doors, although 8 and ½ pounds is the recommended maximum.

Latch-side clearance: Latch-side clearance is the distance from the door latch (handle) to the wall on the same side as the latch. Without adequate latch-side clearance, a user of mobility equipment will not have room to attain position when opening the door. In other words, the clearance offers space to back into during the motion of pulling open the door.

Protruding object: A protruding object is a barrier that protrudes into the path of travel and is not revealed by the sweeping motion of a cane. Protruding objects are of special concern to people with visual disabilities. There are two categories of protruding objects: those that protrude horizontally from a wall and those that protrude vertically from a ceiling. In order to be designated a horizontal protruding object, the object must be at least 4 inches from the wall and at least 27 inches from the floor. Water fountains are frequently horizontal protruding objects. In order to be designated a vertical protruding object, the bottom of an object hung from the ceiling must be 80 inches or less from the floor. Ceiling-mounted video screens are frequently vertical protruding objects.

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Glossary of checklist terms (Continued)

Signage (exterior): Exterior signage includes signs at accessible parking and signs at the accessible entrances. Signs at standard accessible parking spaces must include the wheelchair symbol. (See "Van-accessible parking," below, for information on the additional signage requirements at van-accessible parking.) All accessible entrances must be marked as such and all inaccessible entrances must have directional signage that notes the location of the closest accessible entrance.

Signage (interior): Interior signage includes signs at accessible restrooms and signs at other rooms with designated uses. If space permits, signs must be mounted on the wall 60" from the floor (measured from the middle of the sign) on the latch-side of the door. Signs at accessible restrooms must indicate (in raised symbols, lettering, and Braille) 1) the specified gender, and 2) that the restroom is accessible. Inaccessible restrooms must have directional signage noting the location of the nearest accessible restrooms. Signage at designated rooms (other than restrooms) must have raised lettering and Braille.

Slope (non-compliant): Any slope greater than 1:12 is, in most circumstances, non-compliant. The ratio refers to 1 inch of rise for every 12 inches of travel. Any slope between 1:20 and 1:12 is considered a ramp and requires the mandated ramp features (e.g., edge protection, handrails, and a resting platform after 30 feet of rise).

Van-accessible parking: Van-accessible parking has dimensions that allow for use of a van lift. The dimensions are 8 feet for the space itself and 8 feet for the adjacent access aisle. Van-accessible spaces must be designated by signage that, in addition to the elements required for a standard accessible space, includes an extra sign indicating 'van-accessible.'

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Parking

Requirements for the number and type of handicapped parking spaces vary depending on type of facility and overall size of parking area. Generally, there will be a minimum of 1 accessible space for every 25 total parking spaces up to the first 100 spaces. At least one, and no fewer than one of every eight accessible spaces, must be van-accessible. The number of accessible spaces increases with the size of the parking lot, but the required ratios diminish.

PARKING SPACE AVAILABILITY

of overall spaces in lot

of accessible spaces

of van-accessible spaces

ACCESSIBLE SPACES

Are accessible spaces closest to accessible entrances?

Yes No

Is there an access aisle for every two accessible spaces that is on an accessible route leading to an entrance?

Yes No

For car spaces, is the min. width 10 feet for the vehicle and 5 feet for aisle?

Yes No

For van accessible spaces, is there a min. of 8 feet for vehicle parking and 8 feet for the aisle?

Yes No

Note: If a van-accessible space shares an access aisle with a standard accessible space, the aisle will have the dimensions of a van-accessible access aisle (eight feet).

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VAN-ACCESSIBLE GARAGE HEIGHT

Is there a min. 114 inches vertical clearance at parking space?

Yes No

Does the driving route from entrance to exit have a min. 114 inches vertical clearance?

Yes No.

SIGNAGE

Do signs display international access symbol above grade at each space and have the words "van accessible" when parking space is van accessible?

Yes No

SURFACE CONDITION

Smooth firm pavement; no cracks or level changes more than 1/2 inches

Yes No

Slope less than or equal to 1:20

Yes No

No water ponding

Yes No

Grate openings max. 1/2 inches and perpendicular to route of travel

Yes No

CURB CUT TO PATHWAY

Curb cut min. width 3 feet excluding sloped sides

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CURB CUT TO PATHWAY (Continued)

Center slope not to exceed 1:12 unless insufficient space

Yes No

Slope of flared sides not to exceed 1:10

Yes No

Curb cut does not protrude into pedestrian path max. 1/2 inches lip at edge of road

Yes No

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Drop off and entrance areas

Location of drop-off area:

Is drop-off area within 100 feet of accessible entrance? Is there a 5 foot wide access aisle adjacent to and parallel to vehicle pull-up space?

Yes No

SURFACE CONDITION

Is pavement smooth (no cracks or level changes more than 1/2 inches)?

Yes No

Is slope less than or equal to 1:20?

Yes No

Is path of travel slip resistant and free from water ponding?

Yes No

Are any grate opening sizes a max. of 1/2 inches and perpendicular to route of travel?

Yes No.

CURB CUT TO PATHWAY

Is min. width of any curb cut 3 feet excluding sloped sides? Does center of slope not to exceed 1:12 (unless insufficient space)?

Yes No

Does slope of flared sides not exceed 1:10? Curb cut does not protrude into pedestrian path max. 1/2 inches lip at edge of road?

Yes No

CURB CUT TO PATHWAY

Is min. width of any curb cut 3 feet excluding sloped sides? Does center of slope not to exceed 1:12 (unless insufficient space)?

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ACCESSIBLE EXTERIOR ENTRANCE

Doorway clear Yes	ance at least 32 i No	inches wide
From an open	position, door cl	oses at 5-second count
Yes	No	
Door pressure Yes	weight does not No	exceed recommended (not required) 8.5 lbs.
Threshold doe: Yes	s not exceed 1/2 No	inch (3/4 inch if beveled)
	•	e between the two doors is no less than the width e, plus 48 inches
Yes	No	
Is vaccine site	area within 100	feet of accessible entrance?
Yes	No	
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Note: If more than 100 feet, route of travel should be marked with signs and provided with seating to allow people who experience difficulty walking distances to rest.

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Ramps

Slope	e of ramp betwee	en 1:12 and 1:20
	Yes	No
ls pa	vement smooth	(no cracks or level changes more than 1/2 inches)?
-	Yes	No
Min.	width 3 feet betv	veen handrails
	Yes	No
Non-	slip surface with	out cracks?
	Yes	No
Leve at to	-	com, every 30 feet, and/or at every change of direction, and
	Yes	No
	platform is 5 fee ges direction	t by 3 feet if ramp is straight or 5 feet by 5 feet if ramp
	Yes	No
Platfo	orm at top is 5 fe	et by 5 feet
	Yes	No
-	ent slipping off e	with sheer drops have protection (railings, curbs etc.) to dges and railings on both sides of the ramp
	Yes	No
Hand	rail is 34 inches	to 38 inches above ramp surface
	Yes	No

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Ramps (Continued)

Handrail extends min. 1 foot beyond ramp at top

Yes No

Handrail extends min. 1 foot beyond ramp at bottom

Yes No

Handrail diameter is 1-1/4 inches to 1-1/2 inches

Yes No

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Elevators

•	vators before counting on them to ensure accessibility during an
Min. width 3 feet bety Yes	ween handrails No
Door opening a min. Yes	of 36 inches No
Reopening device acmin. of 20 seconds Yes	ctivates when cab door is obstructed; door remains open
min. 54 inches deep	nes deep by 68 inches wide if door is off-center. Cab size by 80 inches wide if door is centered. Top control on panel is the side reach and 48 inches for front reach
Emergency controls Yes	and telephone at bottom of panel No
Raised symbols and Yes	lettering for all control buttons and emergency controls No
Raised and Braille flo Yes	oor designations on elevator door jambs at 60 inches height No
Middle of buttons at Yes	landing max. 42 inches high No
Audible signals in el	evator cab and at landings

Yes

No

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Corridors and Common Areas

The dimensions and requirements listed below can be applied to both the permanent features of a facility, and to corridors and common areas created by portable partitions, furniture, and other temporary arrangements needed for site operations.

NOTE: In estimating space requirements for registration area, health care and social services agencies, computer workstations, etc., be sure to allow sufficient room for wheelchair access (4 foot aisles and 5 foot turning circles).

Carpet is secur	ely fastened	with exposed edges attached to floor
Yes	No	
Doormats anch	ored at all ed	lges
Yes	No	
Edge strips at a	any change ii	n materials
Yes	No	
Floor surfaces	are stable, fii	rm and slip resistant
Yes	No	
36 inches min.	clear route, e	except at doors
Yes	No	•
At doors min. c	lear width of	32 inches
Yes	No	
Min. 18 inches	clearance be	side latch on pull side of each door
Yes	No	•
Threshold max	½ inch high	(if beveled. ¾ inch)

No

Yes

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Corridors and Common Areas (Continued)

Hardware opera	able with close	ed fist (levers, not knobs) easy-to-open (max.
pressure 5 lbs.) and slow to d	close (min. 3 seconds)
Yes	No	

SIGNAGE

Signage raised and in Braille identifying restroom located on wall, near latch side, 60 inches from floor to center line of sign

Yes No

Directional signs to accessible toilet rooms at non-accessible toilet rooms

Yes No

Directional signs to TTY machine (if present)

Yes No

PROTRUDING OBJECTS

Wall-mounted objects that protrude horizontally no more than 4 inches when mounted 27 inches or more over the surface

Yes No

Ceiling-mounted objects that protrude vertically 80 inches or less from the floor when measured from the bottom of the object

Yes No

Note: Drinking fountains are a frequent side wall protruding object. Open stairways are a variation of a vertical protruding object.

ALARM SYSTEM / CONTROLS

Fire pull boxes:

Operable part max. 54 inches above floor (side reach)

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ALARM SYSTEM / CONTROLS (Continued)

Fire pull boxes:

Operable part max. 48 inches above floor (forward reach)

Yes No

Flashing signal on fire alarm system

Yes No

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Restrooms

MAIN DOOR

Clear width min. 32 inches

Yes No

At doors min. clear width of 32 inches

Yes No

Min. 18 inches unobstructed wall clearance beside latch on the pull side of door

Yes No

Threshold beveled and maximum 3/4 inches high

Yes No

Hardware operable with closed fist

Yes No

Easy-to-open (max. pressure 5lbs.) and slow to close (min. 3 seconds)

Yes No.

Signage raised and in Braille identifying restroom on latch side wall with centerline 60 inches above floor

Yes No

CLEAR TURNING SPACE

Min. 5 foot diameter turning space

Yes No.

SINK

Sink rim is max. 34 inches high

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SINK (Continued)

Front edge is min. 17 inches from back wall

Yes No

Knee space is min. 27 inches high

Yes No

Faucets are operable with closed fist

Yes No

Waste and hot water pipes below lavatory (sink) are insulated

Yes No

ACCESSORIES

Bottom of at least one mirror is max. 40 inches from floor

Yes No

Highest operable of all dispensers at max. 48 inches above floor (if forward reach), 54 inches (if side reach)

Yes No.

URINALS

Rim max. 17 inches above floor

Yes No.

TOILET STALL DOOR

Clearance width min. 32 inches

Yes No.

Min. 18 inches beside latch on the pull side

Yes No.

Latch operable with closed fist

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TOILET STALL DOOR (Continued)

Coat reach		ches above floor for side reach and 48 inches for front
	Yes	No
TOIL	ET	
Тор	of toilet seat 17 i Yes	nches to 19 inches above floor No
Cent	erline of toilet 18 Yes	B inches from side wall No
Grab	bars mounted p	parallel to floor 33 to 36 inches above floor No
36-ir	nch-long on bac Yes	k wall No

42-inch-long on side wall

Yes No

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch space between grab bar and wall

Yes No

Bars are 1 1/4 inch to 1 1/2 inch in diameter

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Registration area

Registration tables or counters provide min. 27 inches from floor in knee clearance

Yes No

Alternative: provide clipboard that is sanitized after each use

Yes No

Is there a quiet area away from crowds for people who may need it?

Yes No

Vaccination area

What is the policy for vaccinating non-drivers who use wheelchairs, i.e. people who arrive at vaccination sites using paratransit?

Are there clear spaces for wheelchair users receiving the vaccine that are a min. of 30 inches by 48 inches?

Yes No

Post vaccination waiting area

Are there clear spaces for wheelchair users receiving the vaccine that are a min. of 30 inches by 48 inches?

Yes

No

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