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SUBJECT:

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics

The Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of Michigan in collaboration with the Central Michigan District Health Department have come together to ensure everyone who wants their COVID-19 vaccination can receive one as we follow the guidance from the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

The Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort has been playing host to the health department each Tuesday and Thursday since late-January as the Central Michigan District Health Department holds vaccination clinics.

To date, there have been ten (10) vaccination clinics with over 2,823 vaccines being administered. The plan moving forward is to continue providing vaccinations at the Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort’s Entertainment Hall every Tuesday and Thursday indefinitely with the capacity of 330 vaccinations each day.

Steve Hall, R.S., M.S., health officer for Central Michigan District Health Department stated: “We are so appreciative of our partnership with the Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe. The ability to hold community COVID-19 vaccine clinics at the Soaring Eagle Casino is helping us get our population vaccinated quicker. This is just the latest example of the strong partnership between CMDHD and the Tribe as we work together to improve the health of our community.”

Mike Bean, Chief Executive Officer for the Saginaw Chippewa Gaming Enterprises is quoted as saying “We are pleased to partner with the Central Michigan District Health Department to provide a COVID-19 vaccination location as we emerge from this global pandemic. We very much appreciate our healthcare workers and all others who are on the front lines through these challenging times.”

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