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A Local Law in relation to the creation of a unified scheduling system for COVID-19 vaccinations, and to provide for the repeal thereof

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Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. a. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the following meanings:

COVID-19. The term “COVID-19” means the disease caused by the severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2).

Department. The term “department” means the department of health and mental hygiene, or another agency designated by the mayor.

b. COVID-19 vaccination scheduling system. The department shall develop and maintain an online platform which can operate as a unified scheduling system for COVID-19 vaccinations for cooperating providers that may include, but need not be limited to, vaccination locations operated by the department, by the health and hospitals corporation, and by New York state. Such platform shall be made available to the general public in all designated citywide languages, as defined by section 23-1101 of the administrative code of the city of New York, and shall be accessible to people with disabilities in accordance with section 23-802 of such code. Such platform shall display all available appointments across all vaccination locations of cooperating providers, organized by date and time and filterable by zip code and eligibility category, and allow for the scheduling of COVID-19 vaccination appointments, either on such platform or through a link to the website of a provider, across all vaccination locations of cooperating providers located in the city of New York.

c. Such platform shall allow an eligible user, as prioritized by the department, to request to be notified when new COVID-19 vaccination appointments are available for such user, and allow an eligible user to pre-register for such an appointment.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 30 days after it becomes law, and is deemed repealed 2 years after it becomes law.

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