

COVID-19 Staff Vaccine Clinics

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Background

- As COVID-19 became a worldwide pandemic, urgency for a vaccine became paramount as hospitals were overwhelmed
- The COVID-19 vaccines were the first brand new vaccines to be granted an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) in the USA
- In conjunction w/ EUA approval, we rapidly planned & setup COVID-19 vaccine clinics for staff while dealing with widespread supply/staffing shortages
- Multi-disciplinary effort w/ coordination across ~15 departments (see next slide for team)

Planning & Implementation

Logistics

- Hospital Incident Command System (HICS) Structure enabled rapid collaboration & streamlined decision making and authority
- Space- Vaccination clinic location needs & considerations (i.e. Social distancing, observation space etc.)
- Prioritization Scheme based on federal/state /BILH guidelines
- Day of Clinic Designed new workflow & simulated to increase efficiency

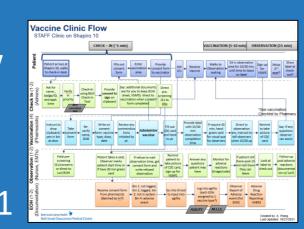


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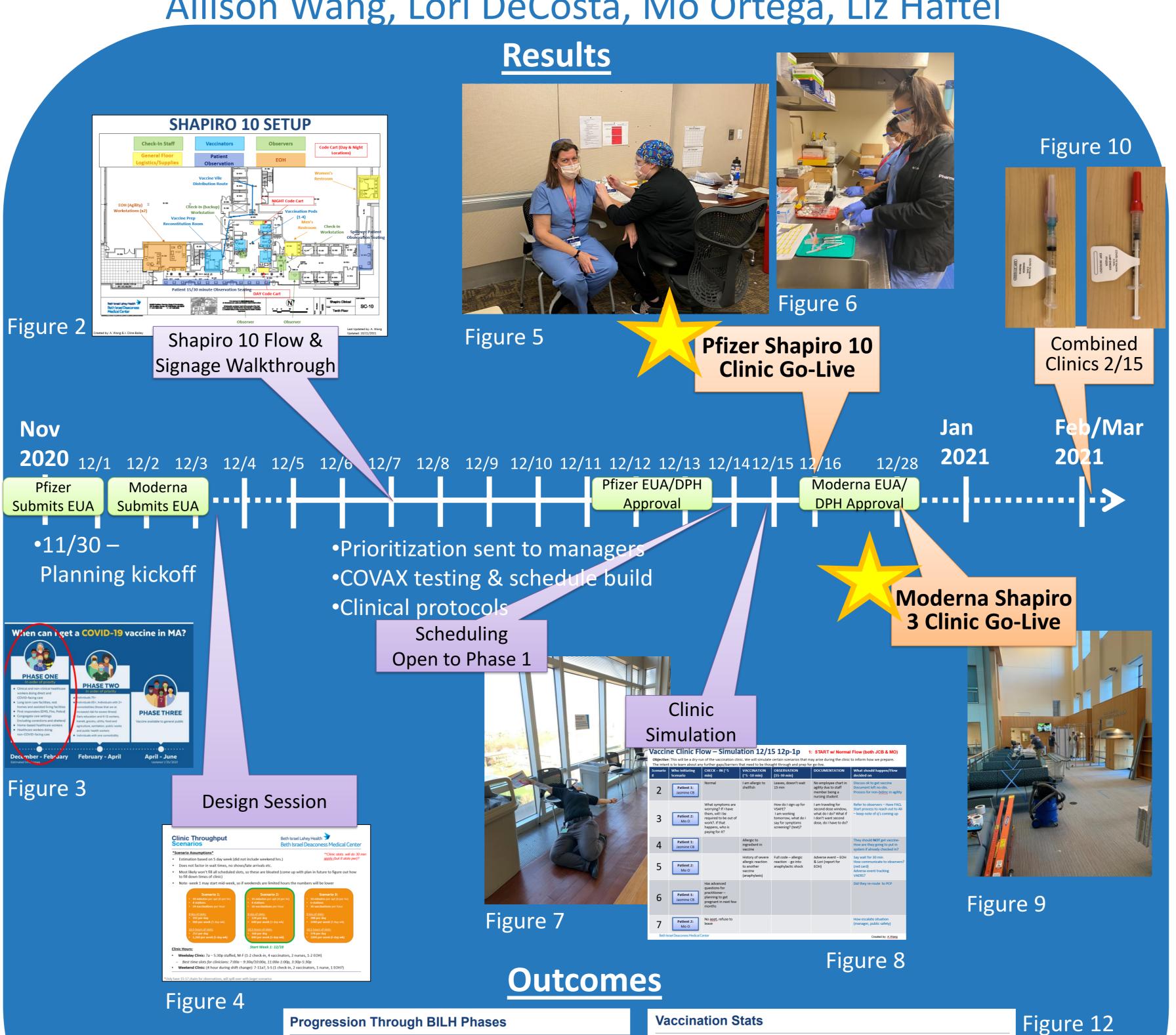
Figure 1

- State & BILH allocation management & strategy
- Vaccines medication storage/delivery process/prep, etc.
- Medical and non-medical supplies

IT Processes

Supply

COVAX - Scheduling System – how to integrate systems that didn't talk to each other Agility -EOHS



18,778

Total BIDMC

3,735



Planning & Implementation (cont.)

Staffing

- SOPs/ Standing Orders/ Reactions & Contraindications
- Training vaccinators/observers/front desk staff/ manager
- Innovative use of Labor Pool

Communications

- Signage and media relations
- Staff outreach & education
- Interpreter services (iPad & multi-language docs.)

Continuous Improvement

Managing a Variety of Challenges & Barriers

- Day-to-day supply instability (i.e. \triangle supply allocations, Walgreens extra doses etc.)
- Sourcing proper equipment (i.e. Ultra cold storage, 1 ml syringes, research space usage etc.)
- Phased vaccine rollout troubleshooting
- Collaboration across BILH as a NEW hospital system

Check & Adjust

- Frequent reassessment of operations as new approvals and guidance was released
- Strategies to reduce or limit vaccine waste
- Continuously adjusted capacity to increase appointment access for staff
- Open 2nd clinic/Combined clinics

Sustainment

- Patient clinics & inpatient vaccinations
- Vaccine hesitancy work
- DEI campaigns
- Partnership w/ Red Sox for vaccine clinics
- Boosters

62% of Offered

9,296

Staff & Physicians

Note: All HMFP and AP-HMFP were affiliated with BIDMC, s



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Team Members

Collaborators for Poster

- Allison Wang & Jasmine Cline-Bailey (I² Improvement and Innovation)
- Lori DeCosta (Clinical Nutrition)
- Mo Ortega (EM Emergency Management)
- Peggy Stephan, Liz Haftel, Julie Lanza (Pharmacy)
- Matt Rabesa (Employee Health Management)
- Dr. Mary LaSalvia (HMFP)

Additional Key Departments

- Larry Markson, Carolyn Conti, Jim Arrington, Venkat Jegadeesan & Team (IS)
- Jarrod Dore & Team (Facilities)
- Buzzy Abrha, Gordon Howard, Jinkyu Lee, & Vaccinators (Pharmacy)
- Kyle Franko (Communications)
- Sarah Moravick & Kristin O'Reilly (I²)
- Declan Carbery (EM)
- Bridgid Joseph (Emergency Procedures)
- Brian Bertrand & Eric Acevedo (Distribution)
- Lori Cunningham & Team (Human Resources)
- Paula Stering (Clinical Advisor)
- Dr. Ed Ullman (Medical Director Fenway Clinics)
- PCS & Retired Nurses
- HMFP
- Vaccinators
- ID
- EVS
- Food Services
- BILH

And so many more....!

The Teams Who Made This Happen!



The Clinics











Figure Appendix

- **Figures (1-12):**
- 1. Draft of an iteration of the vaccine clinic flow
- 2. Draft of the vaccine clinic setup
- 3. Phasing from Gov. Charlie Baker's Massachusetts vaccine distribution plan
- 4. Brainstorming from the Design session on clinic throughput scenarios
- 5. Staff Member getting vaccinated
- 6. Pharmacy technicians prepping vaccines
- 7. Acting out an emergent scenario during the simulation of the clinic prior to opening
- 8. Simulation scenarios used to practice and work through issues prior to opening
- 9. Construction of Shapiro 3 Moderna Clinic
- 10. Color coding of Pfizer vs. Moderna syringes to prepare for combined clinic
- 11. Progression through BILH Phases (Sarah Moravick Leadership Presentation 1/25/21)
- 12. Stats (Sarah Moravick Leadership Presentation 1/25/21)