Dear DOC Employees:

DOC Health Services has been contracting with Bird’s Eye Medical to conduct employee COVID-19 vaccine clinics across the state in accordance with the Governor’s related vaccine mandate in an effort and to make it more convenient for staff to receive the COVID-19 vaccination.

On September 1st employees with recent positive COVID-19 diagnoses obtained advice from Bird’s Eye Medical related to the timing of receiving a COVID-19 vaccine shot, contrary to what the related guidance from the CDC would be under the same scenario in a congregated setting. The advice from Bird’s Eye Medical was to wait between 28-30 days to obtain the vaccine. The CDC however recommends receiving the vaccine when you no longer are exhibiting related symptoms and are through the isolation phase.

CDC advice above clearly takes precedence and should be followed in our situation. If you have related questions, please get in touch with our Employee Health department.