

Dear Friends,

Hudson Headwaters and select regional partners have been entrusted by the New York State Department of Health with the responsibility of vaccinating a large part of the North Country. We are excited to vaccinate as many people as possible but are legally obligated to follow state mandates and prioritization lists very closely.

We have made excellent preliminary progress vaccinating a significant part of our staff which represents the workforce for vaccinating the population. Per NYS guidelines, our next priority is assisting with health care agencies and persons living in and working in long-term care facilities. We are very hopeful to move to the next priority groups within the coming weeks, including essential frontline workers and those 75 years of age and older.



We fully appreciate everyone's desire to receive the vaccine, and it is our intention to use the network's well established infrastructure to do this as quickly and efficiently as possible. Updates will be [posted to our website](#) as they are relayed to us by NYS, including when and how patients may schedule a vaccine appointment.

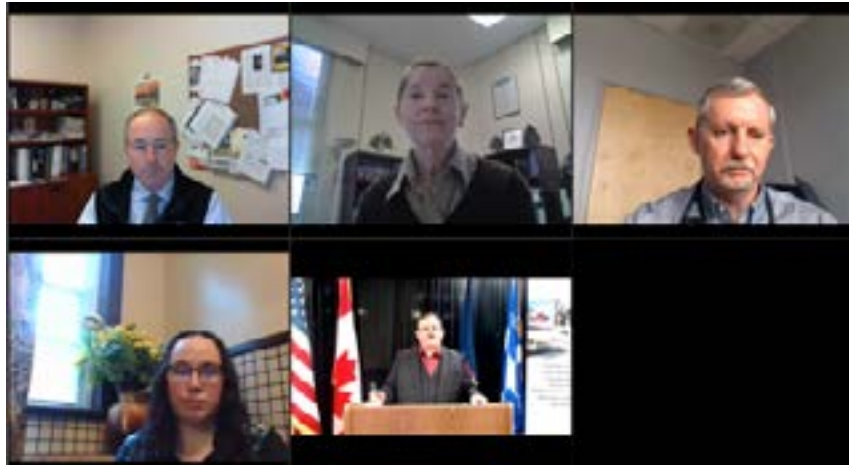
Our presence in so many communities positions us well to play this historic role. Thank you for the outpouring of support this past year. Thanks to donors like you, Hudson Headwaters continues to show up for our patients and communities, no matter the challenges.

Here is to a happy and healthy 2021,



Tucker Slingerland, M.D.

COVID-19 Vaccine and the North Country



The North Country Chamber of Commerce hosted Chief Medical Officer Dr. William Borgos and other local health officials for a virtual forum on the COVID-19 vaccine. Watch the recording [here](#).

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Hudson Headwaters in the News



Chief Medical Informatics Officer Dr. Kevin Gallagher explains the important role of telehealth appointments during a pandemic with [Fox 44/ABC 22.](#)

Dr. Yamilee Jacques of Plattsburgh Family Health shares a [heartfelt message](#) regarding the COVID-19 vaccine.



This North Country Chamber of Commerce [Business Spotlight](#) on Hudson Headwaters features Dr. Ashley Bernotas of Plattsburgh Family Health.

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