## **Press Release**

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## WEPCO TO SERVE AS NEW LOCATION FOR WILTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT/VISITING NURSE COVID-19 VACCINE CLINICS

Wilton Episcopal Presbyterian Complex (WEPCO) will serve as the new location for Wilton Health Department/Visiting Nurse and Hospice of Fairfield County (VNHFC) COVID-19 vaccination clinics. Second dose clinics are scheduled to begin at a clinic at WEPCO this week and continue into early March.

Lynne Vanderslice, shared "We are very thankful to WEPCO for their willingness to host COVID-19 vaccination clinics. The interior space of the facility lends itself well to clinic set up and operation. This is a great service to the Wilton community."

"This pandemic season has been such a strain on all of us and on our community as a whole. Vaccines give us hope that we can protect our community and begin to return to a more active life together. We are so delighted to share our space and our resources at WEPCO to be part of this hopeful solution, in service to our larger community. As communities of faith, our work and our life together is all about hope, so we are glad to be able to give this hopeful gift to Wilton," said the Rev. Marissa Rohrbach, Rector of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church.

"We couldn't be happier to open our space to be a part of our community's healing response to this pandemic. As we all work together to do what we can to move in and through this difficult time, we rely on each person/group to do what they can. This is one way our congregations can participate so that we can move toward a brighter, more hopeful future together." Rev. Shannon White, Pastor, Wilton Presbyterian Church.

Wilton Health Department/VNHFC have offered open and closed COVID-19 vaccination clinics for individuals eligible under State of CT Department of Health's Phase 1a and 1b. Second dose clinics begin this week.

VNHFC recently announced that it is seeking qualified volunteers to assist at Wilton Health Department COVID-19 vaccination clinics. It has a need for individuals who are licensed to administer injectable vaccinations and have had recent clinical experience. There is a special need for volunteers to assist VNHFC with its Saturday clinics. Specific education on the clinic operations and procedures will be provided. Please contact Christy Thomas, Human Resources Director at <a href="mailto:thomasc@visitingnurse.net">thomasc@visitingnurse.net</a> or phone (203) 762-8958, x 224.

For more information on the COVID-19 vaccine, please visit the Coronavirus Resources page on the Town of Wilton website.

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