



Alameda County Health Advisory Reporting Cases of Thrombosis With Thrombocytopenia Syndrome (TTS) After Receipt of J&J Vaccine

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On April 21, 2021, the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) issued a Health Advisory: Pause in administration of the Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine; Reporting of cases of thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome (TTS) after receipt of Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

Clinicians are currently recommended to pause the use of the Johnson & Johnson (J &J) COVID-19 vaccine (Janssen) until the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) is able to further review rare cases of cerebral venous sinus thrombosis with thrombocytopenia occurring in individuals after receiving the vaccine. The ACIP will meet on Friday, April 23 regarding the J & J COVID-19 vaccine. **All cases of thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome (TTS) following receipt of J &J COVID-19 vaccine, as well as other adverse events following vaccination, should be reported to the [CDC/FDA Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#).** The FDA Emergency Use Authorizations for the COVID-19 vaccines require reporting of severe vaccine-associated adverse events to VAERS.

On April 16, the American Society of Hematology (ASH) released [guidance for diagnosis and clinical management](#).

In addition to promptly submitting a VAERS report, **CDPH requests that all providers notify the Alameda County Public Health Department within one day regarding cases of TTS following receipt of J & J COVID-19 vaccine.** Providers should email a copy of the VAERS report and the VAERS report number to <mailto:COVIDreport@acgov.org>. (When submitting a VAERS report, the report can be previewed and printed to PDF so that the submitter can retain a copy. The submitter can also request to have the VAERS report number emailed to them.)