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Expansion of vaccination sites in Massachusetts imperative (Letters)

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I laud and applaud Massachusetts Sen. Eric Lesser, D-Longmeadow, and the 11 Hampden County state legislators [for their letter](#) to Governor Baker expressing the dire need for the expansion of vaccination sites in Hampden County, as we approach Phase 2 of the vaccination rollout.

If one looks at the [Mass.gov](#) site for vaccinations the 3 counties straddling the Connecticut River: Hampden, Hampshire, and Franklin, appear to be woefully underserved even if Phase 1.

Correcting this is a matter of vaccination equity. Having sites conveniently located to the population is imperative for accessibility and people's welfare and safety. We are one state and one country and only if we are fair to all will we get past this pandemic.

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