Tulane doctors were some of the first physicians in the country to receive the COVID-19 vaccine on Wednesday, Dec. 16, following the U.S. Food and Drug Administration’s emergency use authorization for the vaccine on Dec. 11.

The vaccine, by Pfizer/BioNTech, is administered as a series of two doses, three weeks apart, according to the FDA.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, healthcare personnel and long-term facility residents are the first two groups who will receive the first doses of the vaccine.
Each vial of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine holds five doses. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Jeannine Trabeaux draws up a dose of the vaccine. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)
Frontline healthcare workers fill out consent forms while they wait to receive the vaccine. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Tulane resident Angela Volk takes a selfie as she receives her injection. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)
Prepared doses are lined up, ready to be distributed. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Tulane medical students assist with post-vaccination protocol. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)
Ruth Kain (left), chief nursing officer, takes a photo of Olivia Cornu (right), as she receives an injection from nurse Jules Van Opijn (center). (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Tulane doctor Cecilia Gambala, MD, (right) signs paperwork after receiving the vaccine. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)