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COVID-19: MIDLAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ADMINISTERS FIRST COVID- 19 VACCINES

Midland Memorial Hospital administered the first COVID-19 vaccines in the Permian Basin on December 17, 2020.

The Pfizer vaccine arrived just before 10:00 am at Midland Memorial Hospital dock and was transported to the Pharmacy. Reverend David Harwood, Director of Chaplaincy Services, delivered a heartfelt blessing of the vaccine just after 11:00 am.

The preparation immediately started to get ready to administer the first vaccinations.

At 12:57 pm, the first vaccine was given to Gerardo Catalasan, MD by Kim Calderon, RN, in Employee Health. The remainder of the four vaccines from the first vial were given to the following Midland Health staff members:

- Tracey Hall, RN
- Kavitha Bagadi, MD
- Bridget Castillo, RN
- John Petersen, MD

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