

VASE+

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### **VASE+ Presenters**



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## Purpose & Objective

**To provide the key highlights** of the Virginia Department of Health's (VDH) journey towards a COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing digital solution (VASE+).

To answer the question: What led to VDH building their own solution for COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing for Health Districts, Hospitals, Pharmacies, Universities, Health Partners and the residents of Virginia?

Show the evolution of VDH's Vaccine Appointment and Scheduling Engine (VASE+) and introduce workflow, key features, metrics, then conclude with lessons learned and testimonials.



# Background

**December 2020**, vaccines were rolled out in Virginia to protect residents from the soaring COVID-19 cases across the state.

#### February 2021

- Statewide Pre-Registration System
- VDH Call Center 1-877-VAX-IN-VA
- Virginia residents were invited to pre-register for vaccines

#### **March 2021**

- Projected 27% increase in daily vaccination rate
- 12% were fully vaccinated
- 22% received at least one dose



# Challenges

Unable to create closed clinics

Unable to create unique registration links

Unable to bulk upload registrants

By March 2021, ongoing challenges with the software systems used to schedule and administer COVID-19 vaccines led VDH to develop their own solution.

Unable to send SMS/EMAIL

Unable to schedule subsequent appointments

Inundated clinics

Long lines

Appt. cancellation

Frustration

Strained staff



# Approach

VDH acted fast and devised a solution that could evolve rapidly with changing CDC guidelines and help unify COVID-19 vaccination efforts across all the health districts in Virginia.

Bulk uploaded eligible registrants from Statewide Pre-registration System

Generated and sent one-time secure and unique appointment link via SMS & Email

Provided registrant communication status to Statewide Pre-registration System

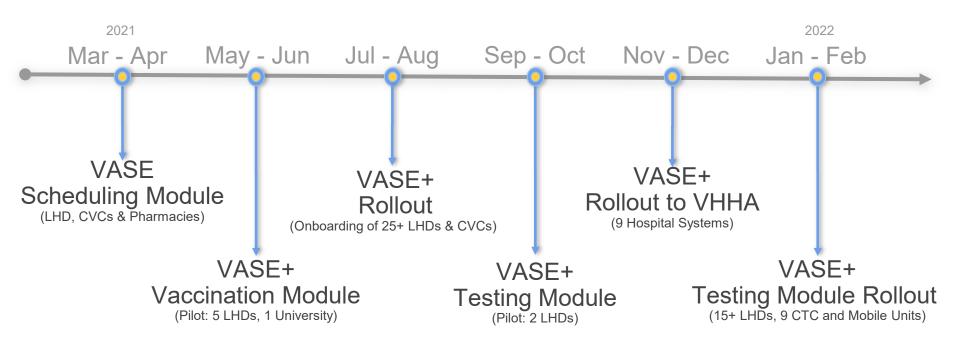
Simplified vaccination and subsequent appointment scheduling processes

Automated daily data transfer to Virginia Immunization Information System (VIIS)

Mobile friendly UI - Device agnostic



## **VASE+ Journey**



VHHA = Virginia Health and Hospital Systems; LHD= Local Health Districts; CVC= Community Vaccination Clinics; CTC = Community Testing Clinics



### VASE+ COVID-19 Workflows

#### Vaccination:



Set Up & Publish Clinic



Public Online Clinic Search



Online Self Registration/Walk-In



Review Health-Q & Consent Form



Vaccine Administration



Electronic Data Transfer to VIIS



Subsequent Appt Scheduling

#### **Testing:**



Set Up & Publish Clinic



Public Online Clinic Search



Online Self Registration/Walk-In



Review Consent Form



**Specimen Collection** 



Electronic Data Transfer to Labs



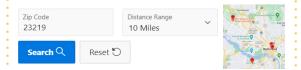
Patient Portal - Results & Statistics



### **VASE+ Key Features**

#### Registration

- ☑ Unique links
- ☑ Public-facing scheduler



#### Real-Time Capabilities

- Dynamic clinic capacity adjustments
- ☑ Real-time clinic stats

Clinic Capacity	Appointments Scheduled (Including Walk-ins)	Walk- ins	Vaccinated	Checked- ins Not Yet Vaccinated	No- shows	Yet To Check- in	Doses Accounted For
160	3	2	0	0	2	1	1

#### Integration

- ☑ API
- ☑ VIIS & NEDSS
- ☑ COVID-19 testing labs
- ☑ VA Pre-Reg system

#### Reports

- ☑ End-End transparency
- Accountability
- Analytics dashboard







#### Call Center

- Schedule & Cancel appointments
- ✓ Vaccine & Testing appointments

#### Clinic Workflow

- ☑ Open/Closed pods
- ☑ Clinic cancellation
- ☑ Mass SMS/Email
- ☑ VIIS look-up
- ☑ Up to date with CDC



### **VASE+ Key Metrics**

- 28 Health districts (Vaccination)
- 11 Health districts (Testing)
- 9 Hospital Systems
- 9 Mobile Units
- 9 Community Vaccination Clinics
- 9 Community Testing Clinics
- 3 Pharmacies
- 2 Universities
- 2 Health Partners
- 9 Labs for Covid-19 Testing

#### **Key Statistics**

- 3.1M+ SMS Sent
- 2.6M+ Emails ent
- 1M+ Vax Appointments
- 610K+ Vax Administered
- 20K+ Vax Events
- 40K+ Covid-19 Tests Performed
- 6K+ Max VASE+ Users



# **VASE+ Proven Strategies**





# VASE+ Closing Summary & Testimonials

"VASE+ is the silent hero from an operational standpoint. The system is straightforward. This makes training staff quick and easy while still being suitable for individuals that aren't as tech savvy."

"While most other systems did one thing or the other well, the VASE+ system soared above all others when it came to data reporting, sharing, and quality.

If VASE+ was an olympic gymnast, the software and the people behind it would deserve the all-around gold medal."

"It has been a more user-friendly option for our residents to identify and schedule vaccine appointments without the hassle that many other systems require."



"Not only is this system incredibly intuitive for most users, but it is the only system that has been able to adapt appropriately and responsively to the ever evolving needs of the COVID-19 pandemic."



### Questions?

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