wivDM: covid vaccine allocation modeling for Wisconsin

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Build a (mathematical) model

- 1,000 doses to Milwaukee, 1,000 doses to Iron county "not fair"
- Generate survey to elicit demand requests from providers
- Simply (!) allocate supply to satisfy demand
- Issues to consider: population, social vulnerability, over 65's, teachers, historical allocation
- What is the policy regarding "fair allocation"?
- Model does not decide policy, only implements policy directives
- But that's not all...
- Logistics (transport and storage)
 - Grace connection: Maj. Lyon
- Boxes, vials and boosters
- Fairness: county targets, provider targets, big changes in supply amounts and gaming
- Specials and minimums (for directives)



- *S_t*: number of vaccines (of type *m*) delivered to WI at *t*
- $b_{v,t}$: number of boxes of vaccines delivered to v at t
- CDC: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- WIR: Wisconsin Immunization Registry

Exercise: providers send requests







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Vaccine allocation: more details

- Covid-19 Vaccines for Wisconsin: Pfizer (P), Moderna (M), Johnson & Johnson (J)
- All vaccines delivered at spokes (providers)
- (P) vaccines are stored at hubs (large freezer capacity)
- Delivery of (P) is via Hub and Spoke Model, (M/J) directly to Spokes
- Model values (P), (J) and (M) equally
- P and M require boosters



Optimization Process

- Receive requests from providers from surveys, supply from CDC
- Two phase optimization: first step determine target allocation using fairness metrics, second step - get close to target while satisfying logistic constraints
 - Cap requests based on population served (at county level) limit overly large requests
 - Generate weight w_v for each vaccinator v that incorporates <u>SDMAC</u> (State Disaster Medical Advisory Committee) recommendations
 - Additional emphasis on socially vulnerable counties (via Social Vulnerability Index (SVI))
 - Generate a target amount for each v as a fraction of given supply with proportional fairness, and manufacturer for new vaccinators
 - Possible to add long term proportion information, and enforce other high level objectives



https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/ vaccine-data.htm

Timeframe results (is it working)



- Week 1-4: full demand satisfaction, building model and data streams, adding M
- Week 5-7: adding boosters (P and M), and pharmacy (M) allocation, (supply > demand), incorporating SVI and vaccinator preference, new fairness model, distribution for M
- Week 8 10: reduction in Pfizer allocation, caps on requests, enhanced output
- Week 11 14: P changed to vials of 6, school allocation, addition of J, increased supply, new fairness metrics and model
- Models help decision makers, not necessarily make the decisions themselves
- Model suggests allocation, policy group approves, Engle and Arndt adjust due to data changes

wiVDM: second phase logistic model

- Objective: fair allocation of $j_{v,m,t}$ based on SVI
- Request for vaccines d_{v,t} determined from weekly surveys

Variables:

- $j_{v,m,t}$: jabs of *m* done by *v* at *t*
- i_{h,m,t}: inventory at h of m at t
- $b_{v,m,t}$: boxes of m delivered to v at t
- $\operatorname{dev}_{v,t}^-$: deviation from request by v at t

Constraints:

- Full boxes delivered to hubs (and split there), freezer capacity
- Jabs delivered to spokes in vial amounts, with a required minimum number of vials to a spoke
- Capacity constraints at hubs and spokes
- Limit vaccines inventory at hubs
- Model is written in the GAMS modeling system and can provide results to other software

Logistic model

$$\begin{array}{l} \min \ f(\operatorname{dev}_{v,g,t}^{-}) \\ \text{s.t.} \ \operatorname{dev}_{v,g,t}^{-} = d_{v,g,t} - \sum_{m} j_{v,g,m,t} \\ \sum_{v,g} j_{v,g,m,t} + i_{h,m,t} = N_{m,t} b_{h,m,t} + i_{h,m,t-1} \\ \sum_{h} b_{h,m,t} \leq S_{m,t} \\ i_{h,m,t}, j_{v,g,m,t} \leq \alpha_{h} U_{h,m,t}, \ j_{v,g,m,t} \leq d_{v,g,t} \\ (b_{h,m,t}, j_{v,g,m,t}) \in \mathbb{Z}_{+}, \\ (i_{h,m,t}, \operatorname{dev}_{v,g,t}^{-}, b_{h,m,t}, j_{v,g,m,t}) \in X \end{array}$$

- Model is a mixed integer linear program
- f encodes fairness and risk