

June 2021 Client Corner: A Vaccine Adventure!

Last year was the most challenging year in recent history for almost everyone in the world. Each and every one of us has a story from living through 2020 and some of them are unfortunately tragic. For those of you that have been impacted in any way, we look forward to the continuing decrease in the number of COVID cases, and most importantly, for us as a worldwide community to get back to what we knew life to be like prior to 2020. All of us at Kemp Financial look forward to being able to see all of you in a face-to-face meeting soon and we hope that the celebrations of the future include hugs and handshakes.

As the vaccine continues to roll out not just here in the United States, but also around the world, we look to this as the next step in moving closer toward protecting the people at risk. For our clients, friends and family in the US, finding vaccine appointments early on in the process was not an easy task. The same is true for one of our clients who living out her retirement dreams in Romania. Christine Nelson, longtime friend and client of the Kemp Financial Family, ran into the same challenges finding and booking a vaccine appointment in her home country.



The first challenge she ran into was gaining the appropriate documentation to be able to book an appointment. Living as an expat in a foreign country always seems to have its subtle challenges, but throw in an international pandemic on top of that and it opens up a whole new world of opportunity of things to overcome. Once everything was settled from a documentation standpoint, getting the appointment was the next hurdle. There was nothing in the nearby areas.

Christine took it upon herself to find the closest possible location to get the vaccine and begin the process to open up her world to the continued travel she so thoroughly enjoys, however the closest place to get the earliest possible appointment was quite a bit of a travel away. After coaxing three of her friends to make the trip with her, they were set for a 3 day adventure to a mountain town in a remote section of Romania. For many of us, we had the luxury of waltzing to a "Super Site" where you may not have had to even

get out of the car, but for these four friends, they turned it into a much needed vacation. Of course the spring time weather was beautiful leading up to the trip, which allowed Christine to pack away her winter clothes. The day prior to the trip, the weather shifted. The snow set in, but at least she shared that the roads were clear and the snow allowed for some beautiful sights along the way.

Despite getting a text alert from the hotel they were staying in about a bear walking through town and recommended sheltering inside, they returned safely.

The first dose was complete and this trip allowed for some wonderful memories and stories to share. Of course, three weeks later they went back for the second vaccination venture. And it snowed again.

We thank Christine for sharing this wonderful story of adventure and perseverance. We wish you all a healthy and safe start to the summer. We look forward to seeing the communities we live in continue to open up.

All of us at Kemp Financial look forward connecting with you soon!

