



Geauga Public Health COVID-19 Vaccination Plan

This plan is current as of 1/13/2021 but will likely change as circumstances evolve.

Phase 1A (Beginning 12/22/2020)

EMS, Congregate Care Residents and their Caregiving Staff, those involved in vaccine administration, and healthcare providers *who do not reschedule COVID positive patients*. Long term care facilities are covered by pharmacies in phase 1A. The hospital system is responsible for vaccinating healthcare providers in their system.

Phase 1B (Beginning 1/19/2021)

1/19/21: add people 80+; 1/26/21: add people 75+; 2/1/21: add adult school employees; 2/2/21: add people 70+; 2/9/21: add people 65+
Add people with cerebral palsy; spina bifida; congenital heart disease; type 1 diabetes; inherited metabolic disorders; severe neurological disorders. including epilepsy; severe genetic disorders, including Down syndrome, fragile X syndrome, Prader-Willi syndrome, and Turner syndrome; severe lung disease, including cystic fibrosis and severe asthma; sickle cell anemia; and alpha and beta thalassemia.

Phase TBD

This phase has yet to be defined by the state. It is possible other subsequent priority groups will be identified in the future.

ACTION DAYS

Tuesdays

- 1.) The health department receives vaccine and will know how many doses are available to administer that week.
- 2.) The public can call for an appointment to receive a vaccine. Eligibility will be consistent with the state's plan.
 - a.) Appointments will only be made for those who are eligible. **PLEASE ONLY CALL IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE.**
 - b.) Appointments will only be made for that week. We can't schedule ahead. We will not know how many doses we will have.
 - c.) Once all of the week's doses are accounted for by appointment, the call in number will trigger a message informing people to call again the following Tuesday.

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays

- 1.) Vaccination Clinics **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

CONSIDERATIONS

- 1.) The vaccine is considered to be a state asset and we are distributing in a manner consistent with state guidance.
 - a.) The only time we will vaccinate those who might not be in the current eligibility group is to avoid wasting unused vaccine. These are exceptions that we do our best to avoid but we will not waste any doses.
- 2.) Our ability to execute the state's plan depends on the state providing us with the number of vaccine doses needed to execute it.
- 3.) The state's plan does NOT currently include "essential workers", "front line workers", or "first responders" as categories in either Phase 1A or Phase 1B. We are sympathetic to everyone's desire to get a vaccine as soon as possible but it is being rationed very strictly and we are asking people to be patient.