



HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH

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New Developments in the Battle Against COVID-19

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New Vaccine

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued an emergency use authorization (EUA) for the third vaccine for the prevention of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19). The EUA allows the Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 Vaccine to be distributed in the U.S for use in individuals 18 years of age and older. The vaccine is administered as a single dose, which will allow vaccination for more people while also providing opportunities for vaccination for groups requiring special consideration, such as the homebound.

Expanded Vaccine Eligibility

In response to this significant increase in the amount of vaccine coming into Ohio, Governor DeWine outlined the individuals who are included in Phase 1C and Phase 2 of Ohio's vaccination plan which will go into effect on March 4.

Phase 1C: Ohioans with certain occupations and with certain medical conditions not addressed in previous phases.

Medical Groups Eligible in 1C

- Type 1 diabetes
- Pregnant women
- Bone marrow transplant recipients
- ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)

Occupations Eligible in 1C (see full description in graphic below)

- Childcare Services
- Funeral Services
- Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers

Ohio's Vaccination Program

Phase 1C Occupations:

▶ Childcare Services

- Administrators, lead and assistant teachers, and substitutes enrolled in Ohio's Professional Registry who are currently working in open child care and pre-Kindergarten programs.
- Licensing specialists employed by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services or county Job and Family Services agencies.

▶ Funeral Services

- Embalmers/morticians, funeral home directors, crematory operators, and apprentices.

▶ Law Enforcement and Corrections Officers

- Sworn law enforcement officers and peace officers who have responder or direct supervisory responsibilities. These persons must be active-duty, i.e. working a regular minimum of 20 hours per week. This does not include retired, "special," or reserve persons.
- Corrections staff, including probation and parole staff, who provide direct services to an adult or juvenile inmate or a court-supervised individual.
- Individuals who have a valid active firefighting certificate in the State of Ohio who are active members or employees of a fire department. This does not include retired, emeritus, or reserve individuals.

All available vaccines will be administered to those who choose to receive them.



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Phase 2: Because the risk of more severe reactions and outcomes of COVID-19 increase with age, Phase 2 will open vaccinations based on age, beginning with Ohioans ages 60 and older.

IF YOU ARE NEWLY ELIGIBLE PER THE EXPANDED GUIDELINES ABOVE: We are asking that you re-register on our website. We have added these occupations and conditions to our registration that were not previously included.

[Click HERE to re-register](#)

If you do not have a newly eligible occupation or condition per the above you **DO NOT** need to re-register (if you're getting this email, you're on our list!)

Reduced Restrictions

Last week, Governor Mike DeWine announced that sporting and entertainment events will be able to reopen with 25 percent maximum indoor capacity and 30 percent maximum outdoor capacity, provided they follow established precautions such as mandatory mask wearing for employees and customers, spectator pathways that allow for social distancing, and seating in groups in six-foot intervals of no more than six people from the same household.

General admission (lawns, standing room, infields) will be permitted if masks are worn and if six-foot distancing can be marked and maintained.

New guidance for proms, banquets, wedding receptions, fairs, festivals, and parades is forthcoming.

If you're receiving this email that means you're on our list! We'll contact you once you're eligible **and** we are able to get you in. If you already received the vaccine and wish to be removed from our registration, click the link below.

[REMOVE ME FROM THE HAMILTON COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH VACCINE REGISTRY](#)

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