

Due to limited initial supply, health care workers, first responders, and nursing home residents and staff will be the first to receive the vaccine. Vaccine supply is dependent on the federal government's allocation to Maryland and is subject to change. The state has adopted a rolling vaccine allocation model, meaning it may not wait for every member of a particular group to get vaccinated before moving ahead; individuals will still have the opportunity to be vaccinated in subsequent phases.

### Phase 1A

#### Population Groups (not completely inclusive)

- All licensed, registered, and certified health care providers
- Nursing home residents and staff
- Law enforcement, firefighters, EMS, and other first responders
- Correctional health care staff and officers
- Front line judiciary staff

#### Timeline

Phase 1A began in mid-late December.

### Phase 1B

#### Population Groups (not completely inclusive)

- Maryland residents who are 75 years and older
- Marylanders in assisted living, independent living, developmental disabilities/behavioral health group homes, and other congregate facilities
- High-risk incarcerated individuals
- Continuity of government vaccinations
- Education (K-12 teachers, support staff, daycare)

#### Timeline

Phase 1B began on January 18, 2021.

**Phase  
1C**

**Population Groups (not completely inclusive)**

- Adults age 65-74
- Public health and safety workers not covered in Phase 1A
- Essential workers in lab services, food/agriculture production, manufacturing, U.S. Postal Service, public transit, grocery store employees

**Timeline**

Phase 1C will begin on January 25.

NOTE : The state currently estimates needing 3 million doses of two-dose vaccines to complete Phase 1.

**Phase  
2**

**Population Groups (not completely inclusive)**

- Adults 16-64 at increased risk of severe COVID-19 illness due to comorbidities
- Essential workers in critical utilities, transportation, logistics, infrastructure, food service, etc.
- Incarcerated adults

**Timeline**

Phase 2 will begin after the majority of Phase 1 has been vaccinated or the federal government's allocation of vaccines increases.

**Phase  
3**

**Population Groups (not completely inclusive)**

- General population, including healthy adults age 16-64

**Timeline**

Phase 3 will begin once the majority of Phase 2 has been vaccinated and/or the federal government's allocation of vaccines to the state increases.