

MARYLAND'S PHASED COVID-19 VACCINE DISTRIBUTION

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Due to limited initial supply, healthcare 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. *Please note that population groups are non-exhaustive and all numbers are approximate.*

PHASE 1A

WHO: All licensed, registered, and certified healthcare providers; nursing home residents and staff; law enforcement, and firefighters, EMS, and other first responders; correctional healthcare staff and officers; and front line judiciary staff. *Approximately 500,000+ individuals.*

WHEN: Phase 1A began in mid-late December. At the time of publication, Phase 1A is ongoing.

PHASE 1B

WHO: 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; and education, including K-12 teachers, support staff, and daycare providers. *Approximately 860,000+ individuals.*

WHEN: As of early January, the state anticipates that it may enter Phase 1B by the end of January.

PHASE 1C

WHO: Adults age 65-74; public health and safety workers not covered in Phase 1A; and essential workers in lab services, food/agriculture production, manufacturing, the U.S. Postal Service, public transit, and grocery stores. *Approximately 772,000 individuals.*

WHEN: As of early January, the state anticipates that it may enter Phase 1C sometime in March.

PHASE 2

WHO: 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; and incarcerated adults. *Approximately 1.1 million individuals.*

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

PHASE 3

WHO: General population, including healthy adults age 16-64. *Approximately 4 million individuals.*

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

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More information on the safety and efficacy of COVID-19 vaccines, as well as Maryland's phased distribution plan, is available on covidlink.maryland.gov. Marylanders can also receive updates from Maryland's 211 text alert system by texting "MdReady" to 898-211.