

COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet Eligibility List

Ohio plans to provide COVID-19 vaccine to anyone who chooses to receive it. Because supply has been limited, vaccine initially has been reserved for certain higher-risk groups, based on age, occupation, living status, or medical history. See below to find out if you are currently eligible for COVID-19 vaccine in Ohio.

Eligibility will expand on March 29 to anyone who can safely receive a vaccine. To schedule an appointment when you are eligible, visit Ohio's [Vaccine Management Solution \(VMS\)](#).

AGE-BASED ELIGIBILITY

- People age **50 or older**.
- People age **40 or older**, beginning March 19.

RESIDENCE-BASED ELIGIBILITY

- Residents of **nursing homes**.
- Residents of **assisted living facilities**.
- Patients at **state psychiatric hospitals**.
- People with developmental disabilities living in **group homes, residential facilities, or centers**.
- People with mental health disorders, including substance-use disorders, living in **group homes, residential facilities, or centers**.
- Residents of state-run **homes for Ohio veterans**.

MEDICAL-BASED ELIGIBILITY

- People who are **pregnant**.
- People with **type 1 diabetes**.
- People with **type 2 diabetes**.
- People who have amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (**ALS**)/**Lou Gehrig's disease**.
- People with **end-stage renal (kidney) disease**.
- People who have received a **bone marrow transplant**, sometimes called hematopoietic or stem cell transplant, and are undergoing treatment primarily for cancer or certain anemias.
- People who have **cancer**, beginning March 19.
- People with **chronic kidney disease (CKD)**, beginning March 19.
- People with **chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)**, beginning March 19.
- People who have **heart disease**, beginning March 19.
- People who have **obesity**, beginning March 19.
- People who have certain medical conditions that were present at birth or developed in early childhood. Qualifying conditions not listed above that are in this category:
 - **Sickle cell anemia**.
 - **Down syndrome**.
 - **Cystic fibrosis**.
 - **Muscular dystrophy**.

- **Cerebral palsy.**
- **Spina bifida.**
- A **severe heart defect** that requires regular specialized medical care.
- **Phenylketonuria (PKU), Tay-Sachs, and other rare, inherited metabolic disorders.**
- **Epilepsy** with continuing seizures; **hydrocephaly; microcephaly, and other severe neurological disorders.**
- **Turner syndrome, fragile X syndrome, Prader-Willi syndrome, and other severe genetic disorders.**
- **Severe asthma** that has required hospitalization in the past year.
- **Alpha and beta thalassemia.**
- **Solid organ transplant** (recipients and candidates).

OCCUPATION-BASED ELIGIBILITY

- **Healthcare** workers and personnel routinely involved in the care of COVID-19 patients.
- **Emergency medical service (EMS)** responders.
- **Nursing home** staff.
- Staff at **assisted living facilities.**
- Staff at **state psychiatric hospitals.**
- Staff at **group homes, residential facilities, or centers** for people with developmental disabilities.
- Staff at **group homes, residential facilities, or centers** for people with mental health disorders, including substance-use disorders.
- Staff at state-run **homes for Ohio veterans.**
- Employees of **K-12 schools** that hold in-person classes.
- People who work in **child care services** and have ongoing direct contact with enrolled children.
- People who work in **funeral services.**
- Active duty people who work in **law enforcement** (at least 20 hours per week) and have first responder or direct supervisory responsibilities. Includes:
 - Police officers.
 - Sheriff's deputies.
 - Ohio State Highway Patrol troopers.
 - Special jurisdiction officers, such as Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) enforcement staff, pharmacy board investigators, Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) agents, state fire marshal investigators, and federal transportation security officers and other federal law enforcement officers without access to vaccination from federal sources.
- People who work in **corrections**, including probation and parole staff, who provide direct services to an adult or juvenile who is an inmate or under court-supervision .
- Active employees of a recognized **fire department.**

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For additional information, visit coronavirus.ohio.gov.

For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

Your mental health is just as important as your physical health. If you or a loved one are experiencing anxiety related to the coronavirus pandemic, help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Call the COVID-19 CareLine at 1-800-720-9616.