

CT COVID-19 Vaccine: Phases and Eligibility

Current Phases of COVID-19 Vaccination

Phase 1a

Healthcare Personnel: All paid and unpaid persons serving in healthcare settings who have the potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients of infectious materials. Healthcare personnel should contact their Employer Coordinator, who has been designated to ensure access to the vaccine. Vaccine administration for healthcare workers will be available at hospitals, outpatient clinics, and local health departments.

Long-Term Care Facility Residents: Adults who reside in facilities that provide a range of services, including medical and personal care, to persons who are unable to live independently. Residents of long-term care facilities should ask facility leadership about reviewing vaccine. All vaccine clinics in long-term care facilities will be administered by CVS and Walgreens.

Medical First Responders: High risk of exposure to COVID-19 through their response to medical emergencies such as Emergency Medical Technicians, Police, and Fire.

Phase 1b

These groups will be eligible for the vaccine in Phase 1b:

- **Individuals 75 years of and older**
- Front line essential workers (*please see additional info below*)
- Individuals and staff in congregate settings

Registration coming soon for: Individuals between the ages of 65 and 74, and individuals between the ages of 16 and 64 for comorbidities.

<i>Workforce Category</i>	<i>Description</i>
Healthcare providers not included in Phase 1a	All healthcare workers who may not have received vaccine in Phase 1a – including mortuary services, OT, PT, and telehealth
Education & childcare	Individuals who work in schools, educational institutions, and childcare settings (e.g., teachers, childcare workers, bus drivers, librarians, before and after school program employees)
First responders & public safety	All first responders who were not eligible in Phase 1a, including police, fire and corrections officers and people actively working in court settings (e.g., judges, probate workers, marshals)

United States Postal Service employee	Individuals who work in delivery and hauling industries, including the United States Postal Services as well as other direct delivery services such as FedEx, UPS, and couriers
Personal transportation	Public transportation, taxi drivers and currently active ride-share drivers, and airlines
Essential retail	Individuals working in retail stores that sell goods essential to daily living (e.g. - grocery store, hardware store, and pharmacy/drug store employees)
Food & restaurants	Individuals working in the food and restaurant industries (e.g. - chefs/cooks, bartenders, restaurant servers/hosts, dishwashers, fast food and counter servers)
Agriculture	Individuals who work in the farming, livestock/animal and fishing industries (e.g. farm workers, fishing, forestry, agricultural inspectors, pest control)
Manufacturing	Individuals who engineer or produce products for use or sale. (e.g., machine operators, metal and plastic workers, installation, maintenance and repair workers)
Direct social & government services	Individuals providing direct social services or government services (e.g., homeless shelter, soup kitchens, municipal or State social services, and in-person pastoral / religious services)
Public drinking water, wastewater, and solid waste services	Individuals who work to protect the safety of public drinking water and wastewater systems, and who collect and haul and treat solid waste (e.g. water and waste water treatment plant employees, system operators, and waste and recyclable materials collectors)

If you fall into one of the above eligibility categories due to your job, and have not yet heard from your employer about yet – please be patient. Your employer will be coordinating your COVID-19 vaccination process and more information should be coming soon.