

The COVID-19 vaccine: Those most at risk get it first

Stop the Spread
Start the Healing.

A tested, safe and effective vaccine will be available to all who want it, but will be distributed to people in stages, with those most at risk receiving the vaccine first. Look below to see which group you're in.



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High-risk healthcare workers, first responders, long-term care staff and residents

- Healthcare workers caring for and working directly with patients with COVID-19, including staff responsible for cleaning and maintenance in those areas
- Healthcare workers administering vaccine
- Long-term care staff and residents — people in skilled nursing facilities and in adult, family and group homes

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Older adults

Vaccinations will be available to anyone 65 or older regardless of health status or living situation.

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Front-line essential workers

The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) defines front-line essential workers as workers who are in sectors essential to the functioning of society and who are at substantially higher risk for exposure to COVID-19.

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High-risk adults

Vaccinations will be available to adults at high risk of exposure and increased risk of severe illness.

- Anyone ages 16 to 64 with a high-risk medical condition such as cancer, COPD, serious heart conditions, sickle cell disease or diabetes, among others.
- Anyone incarcerated or living in a group-living setting among people who are not vaccinated.
- Essential workers not yet vaccinated.

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Everyone who wants to receive the vaccine

Source: NC Department of Health and Human Services website, accessed Jan. 14, 2021



After getting vaccinated, it is still recommended you wear a mask, wash your hands and stay 6 feet away from others until everyone has a chance to vaccinate.

For the latest information, go to [GetVaccinated.org](https://www.getvaccinated.org)

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