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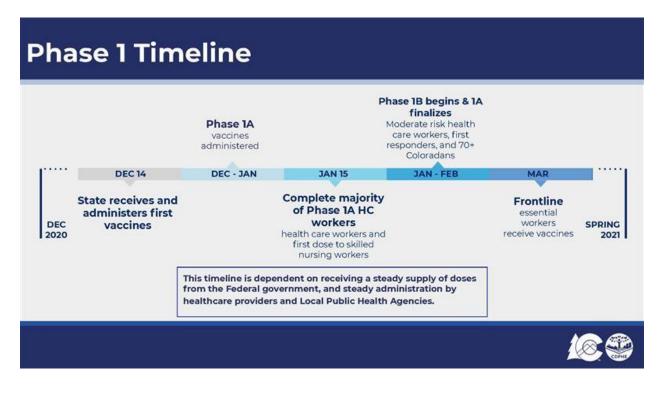## COVID-19 Vaccine information- Phase 1B

We expect that the initial supply of COVID-19 vaccines will be very limited for several months. This means that a vaccine will not be immediately available to everyone who wants one. To be as fair and efficient with distribution as possible, the state has developed a phased approach to vaccine distribution to save lives and end the crisis that has been brought on by the pandemic as quickly as possible. By vaccinating people who are most likely to get COVID-19 first, we can keep more Coloradans safe.

Where people can get vaccines

In El Paso County Phases 1A and 1B now underway. 1A (high-risk healthcare workers) is estimated to be complete by the end of January. Phase 1B (seniors 70+) is anticipated to extend through the end of February, but this may adjust based on vaccine availability.

How to contact medical providers for vaccines for seniors 70+

- o Residents don't have to be a patient of most of the providers to receive the vaccine, but they may need to register as a patient first.
- o Residents may call Pikes Peak United Way 2-1-1 to receive information about the vaccine and assistance and other senior support services.

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Centura Health - Centura.org/COVID-19 or call 866-414-1562

- o Centura Health patients will receive an invitation when it is their time to receive the vaccine through MyCenturaHealth, their patient portal.
- o These invitations are being sent based on the state's phased prioritization, starting with patients age 70 and over. This process will be randomized and equitable without discrimination.
- o An appointment is required. Walk-ins cannot be accommodated.
- o The Vaccine Notification Sign-up is available in English and Spanish at Centura.org/covid-19/covid-19-vaccine-information

Kaiser Permanente - KP.org/COVIDvaccine **or call 1-855-550-0951**

- o Kaiser Permanente members 70+ (and others in eligible 1A and 1B categories) may visit KP.org/COVIDvaccine to complete the "COVID-19 vaccine sign up."
- o Upon providing your information to them, you will be placed on a first-come, first-served wait list for the vaccine based on your eligibility.

Matthews-Vu - MatthewsVu.com, **call 719-474-7380 or email** contact@mathewsvu.com

- o Matthews-Vu is utilizing a pre-registration list for patients who qualify based on the phases identified by the state of Colorado.
- o Starting with patients 70 and over, Matthews-Vu will contact patients who have pre-registered and administer the vaccine as supplies are available.
- o Matthews-Vu patients should contact their provider's office and asked to be pre-registered.

Optum & Mountain View Medical Group - CoSprings.optum.com/COVID-19-Vaccine or **call 1-719-463-5650**

- o Optum and Mountain View Medical Group are currently providing vaccines to patients 70 and older. Due to high demand, vaccines will be given by appointment only.
- o Please contact us by email to be placed on the COVID-19 vaccine waiting list by sending your first and last name, date of birth, and telephone number to COSvaccine@optum.com. Our team will contact you over the next few weeks to schedule your COVID vaccine. If you do not have access to the internet or email please call at 1-719-463-5650 to be placed on the waiting list.

Peak Vista Community Health Centers - PeakVista.org **or call 719-344-6500**

- o Peak Vista Community Health Centers is contacting current patients, age 70 and older, via text, email and phone calls to schedule appointments for receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.
- o Call the hotline for more information and to register as a patient to be placed on vaccine list. Vaccines are administered based on availability.

Safeway Pharmacy - Safeway.com/covidclinic or call Safeway nearest Safeway location

- o Safeway Pharmacies invite prioritized Phase 1a and 1b (above the dotted line) individuals, including seniors age 70 and older, to schedule their COVID-19 vaccination appointment by using the above link.
- o All appointments **MUST** be made online and are on a first-come, first-served basis. Appointment availability will be added weekly as allocations are received. Please check back regularly if you are unable to secure an appointment.

UCHealth - UCHealth.org/covidvaccine **or call 720-462-2255**

- o UCHealth is using My Health Connection, their online patient portal, to communicate with patients and schedule vaccinations. If you are a current UCHealth patient and do not have an active My Health Connection account, please sign up at UCHealth's website.
- o If you don't have access to a computer or smartphone, you can call their COVID-19 vaccine hotline at 720.462.2255.
- o If you are not a current UCHealth patient and would like to be placed on a list to receive the COVID-19 vaccine when it is available, please visit the website to sign up.

VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System – 1-888-336-8262

- o The PFC Floyd K. Lindstrom Veterans Affairs Clinic in Colorado Springs is now offering appointments for COVID-19 vaccinations to veterans enrolled in VA health care who are in the 1B priority group (75 and older). No action is required at this time for veterans wishing to receive a COVID-19 vaccine.
- o Enrolled veterans may sign up for updates and express intent to receive the vaccine by visiting www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/stay-informed. Veterans may also call 1-888-336-8262 for questions about receiving the vaccine.
- o The VA will contact veterans in other vaccine priority groups to gauge interest and will schedule appointments based on the Centers for Disease Control/Department of Veterans Affairs COVID vaccine prioritization groups.

More information is available at: ElPasoCountyHealth.org/how-will-i-get-the-vaccine

COVAX Hotline for COVID vaccine information now open 7-days-a-week thanks.

Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment launched a new call center for the public to ask questions specifically about the COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccine call center staff are trained to answer COVID-19 vaccine-related questions, provide information about vaccine providers across the state, and give general information about COVID-19 and can provide information in multiple languages.

Call toll-free: 1-877-CO VAX CO (1-877-268-2926).

Hotline hours now through January 31:
Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 10 p.m.
Saturday and Sunday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Beginning Feb. 1, hours will extend to 24 hours a day, seven days a week.