

Phase 2 COVID-19 Vaccination Information

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Hello,

You have reached the Berkshire County COVID-19 Vaccination Information Line. This is a recorded message. It will be updated on Mondays, or as new information becomes available. A copy of this message can also be found on the City of Pittsfield website.

Today is Wednesday, January 27th. Through Friday, January 28, we are vaccinating only those individuals who are in Phase 1. Starting Monday, February 1, 2021, Massachusetts will open Phase 2, starting with those 75 years of age and over. If you are 75 years of age or over, you may make an appointment starting at noon on January 27. Clinics will be held on February 2, February 4, February 9 and February 11 at the Berkshire Community College Paterson Fieldhouse in Pittsfield, on February 2, February 4, February 6, February 8, and February 12 at St. Elizabeth's of Hungary Church in North Adams, and February 3, February 6, February 10 and February 13 at W.E.B. Dubois Middle School in Great Barrington. These clinics are for those who live or work in Massachusetts, and you must bring proof of age or other eligibility with you to the clinic. Those who cannot prove eligibility or residence or employment in Massachusetts will not be vaccinated. Part-time and temporary residents are eligible.

Please note that there are currently more individuals eligible for vaccination in Massachusetts than there is vaccine. The Berkshire County Vaccine Team will continue to add appointments and new clinic dates as more vaccine becomes available. We ask for everyone's patience as we get to everyone in turn.

To register for a vaccination appointment you can go to www.maimmunizations.org and search for a clinic or you can go to <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccination-locations-for-individuals-in-eligible-groups-and-phases> and click on one of the locations to get to the registration page. If you do not have Internet access, you can call the Council on Aging in Williamstown, Adams, North Adams, Dalton, Pittsfield, Lenox, Lee, Stockbridge, Great Barrington, or Sheffield for assistance.

For those who are not yet eligible for vaccination, you can learn more about the phases and when you might be eligible for a vaccination at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/when-can-i-get-the-covid-19-vaccine>. Please note that this webpage is updated at least twice a week.

If you are a veteran, you may be able to get a vaccination at the VA clinic in Northampton. Please call (413) 584-4040 for more information and to make an appointment. All veteran vaccinations are being done in Northampton. The VA is prioritizing veterans by age, starting with those 85 and older, and moving to lower age groups as they get vaccine.

Phase 2 priority groups after those over age 75 have changed. The second priority group will now be those over the age of 65, and those with two or more health conditions that put them at high risk of severe COVID disease, followed by a large group of essential, front-line workers. To see a list of essential workers, visit <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/when-can-i-get-the-covid-19-vaccine>.

There is currently no way to register for an appointment if you are not yet eligible for vaccination; you will be contacted by your physician or notified via the media, your municipality or your employer when registration information is available.

Thank you. Please remember to help keep the community safe until we are all vaccinated by wearing a mask and continuing to socially distance.