COVID-19 Community Vaccination

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

The South Carolina COVID-19 Vaccination Plan has three phases for vaccine distribution and administration. In Phase 1a, vaccine supply is limited, and efforts are focused on frontline health care workers and those in nursing homes and long-term care facilities.

Who can get the vaccine?

South Carolina is vaccinating those in Phase 1a of the state's vaccine plan as recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the South Carolina COVID-19 Vaccine Advisory Committee. Frontline medical workers and long-term care facility residents and staff are among those prioritized for Phase 1a vaccine distribution.

As additional vaccines are approved and vaccine supplies increase, the COVID-19 vaccine will be available for everyone. COVID-19 vaccine supply is expected to increase substantially in 2021.

How will I know when I can get the vaccine?

DHEC and its partners have plans to notify the public when and how the vaccine is available to them. This plan includes news release, website and social media updates — as well as public service announcements; print, radio and TV ads; community-level outreach; direct mailers; and other forms of outreach to ensure South Carolinians know when it's their time to receive the vaccine. Health care providers will also notify their patients when the vaccine is available for them.

Where can I get the vaccine?

Lexington Medical Center is working with DHEC to determine vaccine administration sites and hopes to have several locations throughout our community.

