



COLORADO

Governor Jared Polis

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Gov. Polis Announces Update On COVID-19 Vaccine

Colorado one of the top states in the country when it comes to administering the vaccine

DENVER - Today, Governor Jared Polis provided an update on Colorado’s response to the COVID-19 pandemic and announced the State’s move to begin vaccinating Coloradans ages 65 and older, as well as Colorado PreK-12 educators. Governor Polis was joined by Brigadier General Scott Sherman, Director of Joint Staff, Colorado National Guard; and Scott Bookman, COVID-19 Incident Commander at the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

“This process is about saving lives and ending the crisis as quickly as possible. Colorado has made remarkable progress towards vaccinating a majority of Coloradans ages 70 and older who account for 78% of COVID deaths. Given the progress we have made together as a state and community, Colorado will be ready to begin vaccinating anyone aged 65 and up on February 8th, and also start vaccinating educators and child care workers,” said Governor Polis.

Governor Polis thanked General Sherman, Incident Commander Bookman and their teams, the state’s entire COVID Response team, and the staff at CDPHE who have gone above and beyond to ensure that Colorado is in the best position to succeed in beating back this virus.

COVID-19 VACCINE DISTRIBUTION

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1A	Highest-risk health care workers and individuals:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » People who have direct contact with COVID-19 patients for 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Long-term care facility staff and residents.
1B.1	Coloradans age 70+, moderate-risk health care workers, and first responders:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Health care workers with less direct contact with COVID-19 patients (e.g. home health, hospice, pharmacy, dental, etc.) and EMS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Firefighters, police, COVID-19 response personnel, correctional workers, and funeral services. » People age 70 and older.
1B.2	Coloradans ages 65-69, pre-K-12 educators and child care workers in licensed child care programs, and continuity of state government:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Child care workers in licensed child care programs, teachers (full-time and substitutes), bus, food, counselors, administrative, safety and other support services offered inside the school. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Members of the Executive and Judicial branches of state government. » People ages 65-69.
1B.3	Frontline essential workers and people age 16-64 with two or more high risk conditions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Frontline essential workers in food and agriculture, manufacturing, U.S. postal service, public transit and specialized transportation staff, grocery, public health, frontline essential human service workers, faith leaders, and direct care providers for Coloradans experiencing homelessness and essential frontline journalists. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » People 16-64 with 2 or more high risk conditions as listed: Coloradans with cancer (defined as patients who are currently receiving treatment or have received treatment within the last month for cancer), chronic kidney disease, COPD, diabetes mellitus, Down syndrome, specific heart conditions (heart failure, cardiomyopathies or coronary heart disease, and severe valvular/congenital heart disease), obesity (BMI ≥ 30kg/m²), pregnancy, sickle cell disease, solid organ transplant and people with disabilities that prevent them from wearing masks.

- In progress
 - Upcoming phase

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! Please note: As we move through phases, people in previous phases remain eligible.

Beginning February 8, providers will be able to vaccinate anyone 65 and over, including continuing to prioritize those that are 70 and over who have not yet received a vaccine. Colorado's PreK-12 educators will also be eligible to receive the vaccine on February 8. Educators should reach out to their employers to sign up for the vaccine.

Governor Polis also announced that the State estimates that close to March 5, frontline workers and Coloradans ages 16-64 with two or more high-risk conditions will also be eligible to receive the vaccine. It's also projected that Coloradans ages 60 and up will also be able to start receiving the vaccine around March 5.

Phase 1B.2
How To Sign Up: 65-69 Year Olds

65-69 YEAR OLDS

You can sign up with a local provider to schedule an appointment.

Visit

COCOVIDVACCINE.ORG

Call

1-877-CO VAX CO (1-877-268-2926)
to find contact information for providers across Colorado.

More information about Colorado's efforts to vaccinate all Coloradans can be found at covid19.colorado.gov/for-coloradans/vaccine or call 1-877-CO VAX CO (1-877-268-2926).

The state continues to encourage all Coloradans to do what we know works to prevent the spread of this virus: wear a mask in public, practice physical distancing, wash your hands regularly and avoid large gatherings.