



LIVINGSTON COUNTY Health Department

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Livingston County Health Department Continues to Vaccinate Phase 1A and Prepares for Phase 1B

HOWELL, Michigan. - (January 7, 2021) Yesterday, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) updated their vaccine priority guidance and has authorized local health departments to begin vaccinating the following groups starting Monday, January 11:

- People age 65 years or older
- Frontline, essential workers with frequent or ongoing exposure as a part of their work. This includes some, but not all essential workers previously designated in phase 1B. First responders, police officers, jail and prison staff, pre-K-12 teachers and childcare providers are included.

In Livingston County, phase 1B represents thousands of newly eligible individuals; however, vaccine supply is very limited and will not cover everyone who is eligible at this time. The Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) continues to work through phase 1A, and cannot move into phase 1B until additional vaccine is received. LCHD's limited vaccine supply is being prioritized to the most vulnerable and high-risk populations.

LCHD asks residents to please be patient, as we cannot vaccinate everyone eligible immediately. **For individuals eligible under the revised guidance, scheduling information will be available on our website very soon. Please do not call or email to schedule your appointment, but rather, check the website regularly for updates.** Also please remember your scheduled appointment may be weeks away depending on vaccination supply.

Individuals should first check to see if vaccination is available through their primary healthcare provider.

Individuals eligible through their employment should expect scheduling information through their employers.

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Updated information is available at <https://www.livgov.com/health/ph/Pages/COVID19-Vaccine.aspx>.

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