COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution



(for those who choose to receive it)

The Centers for Disease Control has provided recommendations for vaccine distribution but, ultimately, it's up to each state to prioritize groups.

EARLY 2021

Vaccine distribution continues for health care workers and nursing-home residents, as well as:

- Residents and staff at nursing and assisted living facilities, Ohio's veterans' homes, and psychiatric hospitals
- People with intellectual disabilities and those who live with mental illness who live in group homes and their staff
- EMS responders

SPRING 2021

EARLY

Vaccine distribution to the elderly ≥65 years and essential workers such as:

- First responders and workers in food and agricultural, manufacturing, grocery stores, public transit, and the education sector
- People aged 16-64 years with high-risk medical conditions

LATE

Vaccines become more widely available to younger, healthier people and/or the general public

SUMMER 2021

Most adults who want the vaccine will likely have access to it

FALL 2021

Herd immunity through vaccination could be reached in the U.S. if 75% of people (or more) get the vaccine

Changes in the timeline may occur due to delays in the production and shipment of approved vaccines and decisions about prioritizing groups for the vaccine.