

Dear Representatives,

Please find below Governor Lamont's press release entitled, "**GOVERNOR LAMONT ANNOUNCES CONNECTICUT RESIDENTS OVER 65 CAN REGISTER FOR COVID-19 VACCINATION APPOINTMENTS STARTING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11**" for your visibility.



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(HARTFORD, CT) – Governor Ned Lamont today announced that Connecticut residents over the age of 65 will be eligible to schedule COVID-19 vaccination appointments starting on Thursday, February 11, 2021, as the state rolls into the next part of phase 1b of its vaccination program. Vaccinations for individuals over the age of 75 and those within phase 1a will continue.

With approximately 350,000 individuals in Connecticut between the ages of 65 and 74, and a slightly increased but relatively small weekly supply of the vaccine being received in the state from the federal government, Governor Lamont and state public health officials are stressing the need for patience on the part of Connecticut residents.

Currently, the state anticipates receiving about 60,000 first doses of the vaccine per week from the federal government.

"In a perfect world, we would receive enough doses of the vaccine to make it available to everyone in Connecticut right now, however each state is being given a very limited supply, which is why we need to phase it in and give priority to the most vulnerable populations," **Governor Lamont said**. "I know that people are anxious to receive it, and I will continue advocating for our state to receive increased allocations in the coming weeks and months."

"COVID-19 has disproportionately impacted older individuals and individuals in traditionally underserved communities," **Connecticut Public Health Acting Commissioner Dr. Deidre Gifford said**. "Now that we've vaccinated the majority of our highest risk age group, we are ready to move to those over the age of 65. However, we want to ensure that within this

high risk group, we focus on getting vaccine to individuals within the group who come from communities that have been hardest hit by the virus, namely our Black and Latino communities. We are working with our vaccine providers and other community partners to identify underserved areas and focus vaccine resources into those areas, including providing transportation assistance and other solutions to address barriers to vaccine access.”

All eligible residents are required to make an appointment in advance of receiving the vaccine. To find available vaccination clinics throughout the state, residents can visit [ct.gov/covidvaccine](https://ct.gov/covidvaccine) and enter their zip code.

Appointments can be made utilizing the following tools:

- **VAMS online system:** VAMS is the Vaccine Administration Management System and can be used to schedule appointments at multiple clinics across the state. To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).
- **Call Connecticut’s COVID-19 Vaccine Appointment Assist Line:** Connecticut’s COVID-19 vaccine appointment assist line is open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., seven days a week. To make an appointment, call **877-918-2224**.
- **Hartford HealthCare:** Hartford HealthCare has multiple locations throughout the state, including large clinics in the Hartford area. To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).
- **Yale New Haven Health:** Yale New Haven Hospital has multiple locations throughout the state, including large clinics in the New Haven area. To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).
- **Stamford Health:** Stamford Health is operating a clinic seven days per week at Stamford Hospital. To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).
- **Walgreens:** Walgreens is currently offering the vaccine at 12 different locations and will soon be adding many more across the state. To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).
- **CVS:** CVS is currently offering the vaccine in four locations (Colchester, Putnam, Waterford, and Windsor Locks) and will be expanding to 12 more locations in the next week. To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).
- **Walmart:** Walmart will be offering the vaccine at seven locations across the state (Hartford, New Haven, North Windham, Norwalk, Torrington, Waterbury, and West Haven). To make an appointment using this system, [click here](#).

For the most up-to-date information on COVID-19 vaccination distribution plans in Connecticut, visit [ct.gov/covidvaccine](https://ct.gov/covidvaccine).

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