



This morning we received word from the Indiana Department of Health that COVID-19 Vaccinations are now available to individuals outside of licensed beds of long-term care facilities. Effective today, Indiana residents 80 years of age and older can register for a free COVID-19 Vaccine. Following are details of this announcement.

PHASE 1-B • Age 80 and older – Eligible beginning 1/6/2021

State Health Commissioner Kris Box, M.D., FACOG, said vaccine supplies are still limited. Indiana has received just over 350,000 doses of vaccine to date and is scheduled to receive about 78,000 doses per week at this time.

“By opening vaccine to those who are 80 or older, then adding people in their 70s and 60s when vaccine supplies allow us to expand, we can best protect the populations that account for 93 percent of our COVID-19 deaths,” Box said.

Hoosiers age 80 and older can register beginning at 9 a.m. Friday by going to <https://ourshot.in.gov>, (please note that as of 9:45 am today, the registration and location site is not active) searching for a nearby vaccine clinic and selecting an appointment time.

Appointments may also be made by calling 211 beginning Friday (**please note that as of 9:45 am today, the 211 call in registration line is not active**). A caregiver or loved one may make an appointment on behalf of an eligible senior.

At least one vaccine clinic will be located in each Indiana County.

Appointments for the second dose will be made at the clinic when the first dose is administered.

Additional groups, such as those based on underlying health conditions, **will be added as more vaccine becomes available**. Updates will be posted at <https://ourshot.in.gov>.

At the appropriate time, based on age, each of you will need to register for the vaccine and be directed to available administration locations.

We will provide additional information as it becomes available.