

IMPORTANT VACCINATION UPDATE FOR STRATFORD

Stratford Health Department ★ Office of the Mayor

This week the Governor and the State Department of Health have released official revised guidelines on who is included in “Phase 1b” of the COVID-19 vaccination effort.

Phase 1b begins January 18, starting only with residents aged 75 or older. Other individuals in this phase will receive their access at dates to be determined.

Eligible residents aged 75+ can make appointments NOW using the following means:

Healthcare Provider: Many residents have already been or will be contacted to schedule an appointment by their healthcare provider if their provider is participating in the state’s vaccine program. Not all providers are administering the vaccine. A list of participating providers is available at ct.gov/covid-vaccine. Residents are urged not to contact their physician or healthcare provider directly for COVID vaccine appointments.

Online: A form can be accessed online at ct.gov/covidvaccine that allows individuals to schedule an appointment through the web-based Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS).

Telephone: Those without internet access can call Connecticut’s COVID Vaccine Appointment Assistance Line: **877-918-2224**. The phone system is targeted to provide support for eligible vaccine recipients who have limited technology access, or who have language, disability, or other barriers that could prevent them from using existing self-scheduling options successfully. The line will take calls on Mondays through Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and will offer a call-back option when all contact specialists are busy serving other callers. The team will aim to return calls as soon as possible, with the goal of same-day response.



[More Information for Those 75+](#)

The Stratford Health Department continues to schedule new clinics within the VAMS system as weekly vaccine allocations are determined.

Those included in Phase 1b of Vaccination

The State has spelled out additional individuals who are eligible for vaccinations in Phase 1b, though due to supply levels they will receive access at dates to be determined. More information about those timelines will be provided when it is available. Those additional individuals include:

- Residents between the ages of 65 and 74
- Residents between the ages of 16 and 64 who have underlying health conditions that put them at greater risk of the virus
- Residents and staff of congregate settings
- Frontline essential workers



[More Information About Eligibility](#)



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