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65+ Now Eligible for Vaccine

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Governor Spencer Cox announced this morning that people age 65 and older are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccines. This change will be effective immediately. Individuals aged 65-69 may now contact local health departments and local pharmacies to schedule their vaccine appointments.

This change only applies to those individuals aged 65 and older right now.

Consistent with previous vaccine distribution guidance, individuals with certain underlying medical conditions will be eligible starting on March 1st.

To see which underlying medical conditions will be included in this next phase of vaccine distribution, please visit https://coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine-distribution/#eligibility (https://web.archive.org/web/20220112073307/https://coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine-distribution/#eligibility).

As a reminder, the following groups of people are currently eligible to get the COVID-19 vaccine:

- Healthcare workers who have contact with patients (like dentists, physical or occupational therapists, front office staff in a clinic, medical aesthetics, home healthcare workers, etc.)
- Long-term care facility staff and residents
- First responders like EMS personnel, law enforcement officers, dispatchers, and corrections officers
- K-12 school teacher or staff
- Utahns 65 years and older

Appointments are available at local health departments and select local pharmacies across the state. Please note that due to the demand and variable supply of vaccine doses, it may take several tries to get an appointment. We anticipate more vaccine providers will be added in the coming weeks/months as supply increases.

For more information on Utah's vaccine distribution plan, please visit our vaccine distribution page (https://web.archive.org/web/20220112073307/https://coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine-distribution/).

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