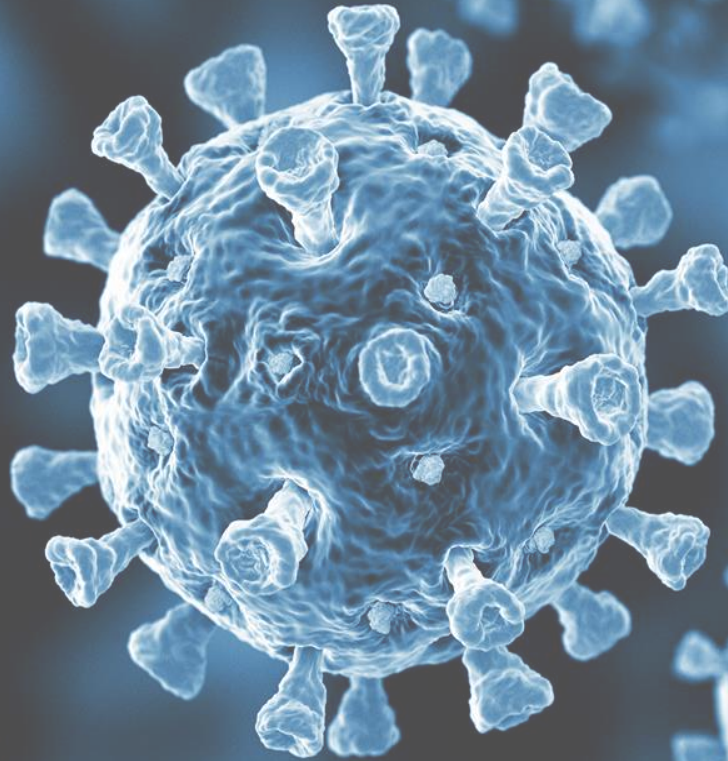
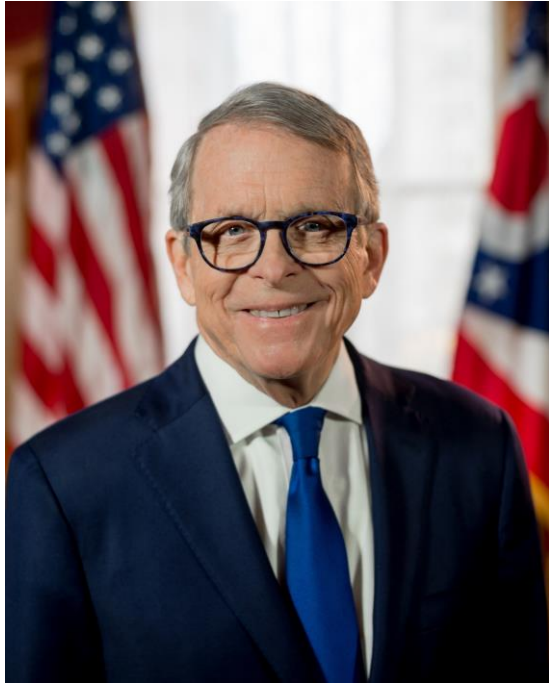


# COVID-19 Vaccination Update



# COVID-19 Vaccination Phase 1B priorities



- Governor DeWine has announced the goals of Phase 1B of COVID-19 vaccine distribution are to save lives and to fully open K-12 schools by March 1.
- This next phase will continue to prioritize our most vulnerable citizens:
  - Individuals age 65 and older – who account for almost 87% of Ohio’s COVID-19 deaths.
  - Those with severe congenital, developmental, or early-onset medical disorders.
- Schools that wish to continue or return to in-person learning will have the option to vaccinate their educators and other staff.



# Ohio's Vaccination Program

## - *A Phased Approach*

**During Phase 1 vaccine supply will be limited.**

Vaccine administration will be focused on reaching critical groups.

### **PHASE 1B**



#### **GOAL: Save Lives**

- Ohioans age 65 and older
- Those living with severe congenital, developmental, or early-onset medical disorders

#### **GOAL: In-Person School by March 1st**

- Adults who work in schools

*All available vaccines will be administered to those who choose to receive it.*

# Vaccinating Phase 1B priority populations

We are still working on an approach to vaccinate Phase 1B priority populations.

- It will likely involve multiple provider types, such as local health departments, federally qualified health centers, pharmacies, primary care practices, urgent care centers, etc.
  - If your association represents these types of providers, we will need your help by urging your members to enroll in Ohio's COVID-19 Vaccination Provider Enrollment Program.
  - For providers to receive COVID-19 vaccine, they must be enrolled in the program. Providers can enroll at <https://ohid.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/ohid>

# Minority Health Vaccine Team

- A Minority Health Vaccine Team is addressing COVID-19 vaccination issues regarding equity and vaccine hesitancy.
- The team is represented on this workgroup.





# Minority Health Vaccine Team initiatives

Developing a community organization resource hub to share communications assets among communities.

Beginning stages of partnering with the NAACP to host “train the trainer” sessions across the state to educate community leaders, faith leaders, and small business owners about COVID-19 vaccines.

Strategic communication to healthcare providers to help address provider vaccine hesitancy, answer questions, and provide relevant and timely information about COVID-19 vaccines.

# Ohio National Guard to help administer COVID-19 vaccine

- The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has announced that the Ohio National Guard (ONG) received a waiver that will allow it to help administer the COVID-19 vaccine.
- The ONG has approximately 600 members who are medical personnel, including physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, and medics.
- Ohio is working to determine how it will best utilize Guard medical personnel without adversely affecting Ohio healthcare systems' critical medical resources by removing Guard members from their civilian medical positions.



# Q&A: Your questions about Ohio's vaccine plan

Questions	Resources	Contact us
<p>Please click unmute, then introduce yourself before asking your question.</p> <p>You can also drop your questions in the chat.</p>	<p>Visit our COVID-19 information hub for vaccine information and resources for providers and consumers.</p> <p><b><a href="https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine">coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine</a></b></p>	<p>Do you have COVID-19 questions?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Contact our Call Center at 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).</li><li>• Contact our Provider Call Center at 1-844-ODHVAX (1-844-963-4829).</li></ul> <p>Russ Kennedy, deputy director/director of external affairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="mailto:Russ.Kennedy@odh.ohio.gov">Russ.Kennedy@odh.ohio.gov</a></li><li>• (614) 406-0419</li></ul>