

Coalition Communication: Behavioral Health



COVID-19 UPDATES

Phase 1A remains open with an acknowledgement that vaccinating congregate care facilities and high-risk healthcare providers will take more time. Continue collaborating with your local health departments as they work hard to distribute the vaccine supplies currently available.

Phase 1B is also open for Ohioans aged 65 and above and those with severe congenital or developmental disorders, along with employees of K-12 schools that wish to remain or return to in-person or hybrid learning.

Tentative dates to start vaccinating additional Phase 1B populations are:

- Feb 15, 2021 – [Ohioans born with or who have early childhood conditions that are carried into adulthood](#), which put them at a higher risk for adverse outcomes due to COVID-19, may choose to receive the vaccine at the provider of their choice, but will be asked by their vaccine provider to confirm that they are, in fact, eligible at this time.

[Vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov) is an online resource for Ohioans to learn which providers received a COVID-19 vaccine allotment and how to contact them. If you or someone you know is eligible to receive a vaccine in Phase 1B, they should use this tool.

INDUSTRY INFORMATION

■ The Governor's Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, in partnership with Ohio Department of Health, OhioMHAS, and [CAS](#), are partnering to host a [series of virtual town hall events](#) to discuss the COVID-19 vaccine as it relates to special populations in Ohio. Hear from medical experts, community leaders, and public health professionals. More information on how to join the following live steam events will be shared on coronavirus.ohio.gov/

Feb. 22 | 6:30 p.m. – African American Ohioans

Feb. 23 | 6:30 p.m. – Hispanic/Latino Ohioans

March 1 | 6:30 p.m. – Asian American and Pacific Islander Ohioans

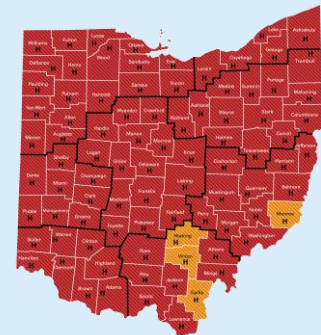
March 2 | 6:30 p.m. – Rural Ohioans

■ Everyone experiences stress - challenges with work, chronic disease, or an argument with a loved one. Confidential support is offered 24/7. Call the Ohio CareLine at **1-800-720-9616**, or text the keyword "4hope" to **741-741**.

KEY STATS

Data as of 2/11/2021

PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



21-DAY TRENDS

Case Average	3,892
Death Average	98
Hospitalization Average	188
ICU Admission Average	21

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SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

In the early phase of #COVID19 vaccinations, supply will be limited. As supply increases, the #COVID19 vaccines will be available to all Ohioans who choose to be vaccinated. Learn more <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine>

[suggested graphic: [COVID-19 Vaccines: Ohio's Phased Approach](#)]

Right now, vaccine supply is still limited. Proper prevention, like wearing masks & social distancing, is still needed to reduce your chance of being exposed to or spreading the virus during the pandemic. Don't let up. <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine>
#InThisTogether

Safe. Effective. Rigorously tested. #COVID19 vaccines are rolling out to older Ohioans. While it will take time before it is available for everyone, it's the best way to protect our health and help Ohio on the road to recovery. <https://youtu.be/p0-MgPCQFhk>

Fact: You can't get COVID-19 from receiving a #COVID19 vaccine. Having symptoms like fever or soreness after you get a vaccine is a normal sign that your immune system is learning to fight the virus. See more myths vs. facts at <https://bit.ly/OHVaccineMyths>.

Trust the FACTS: #COVID19 vaccines won't change your DNA, alter your genetic makeup, implant you with a tracking chip, or cause infertility. See more debunked myths at <https://bit.ly/OHVaccineMyths>

[suggested graphic: [Trust the Facts 4](#)]

How can a vaccine protect you from getting very sick from COVID-19? Learn more here <http://bit.ly/OHVaccine-PlainFAQ>

TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

- Ohio's curfew has been lifted, but we must continue to follow safety protocols to slow the spread and prevent hospitalizations from going up. If hospitalizations begin to rise again, the Ohio Department of Health may reinstate it
- The COVID-19 vaccine supply is extremely limited, and the priority is being given to Ohio's most vulnerable residents and school personnel, who have committed to remaining open or reopening schools full time or in hybrid mode by March 1.
- Trust the facts: the COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the U.S. were rigorously tested and do not give you COVID-19 or cause a positive COVID-19 test.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- ✓ Set a good example, by wearing a mask, making virtual accommodations, and maintaining social distance when meeting face-to-face with others.
- ✓ Post on social media to describe how you are working to keep your employees and customers safe (and what they can do to help you maintain a safe environment).
- ✓ Submit letters to the editor or local news outlets that support the "COVID-19 Key Messages;" wear a mask, wash hands often, and social distance.

RESOURCES

VACCINE COMMUNICATIONS TOOLKIT

[COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Toolkit](#)

HASHTAGS TO USE

#InThisTogetherOhio
#OhioSmallBusinesses
#ResponsibleRestartOhio
#MasksOnOhio
#StaySafeOhio

LATEST UPDATES

[COVID-19 Vaccination Program](#)
[Public Health Orders](#)
[Sector-Specific Requirements](#)
[Myths vs. Facts: COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
[Average Weekly Vaccinations](#)

VIDEOS

[The Road Back Remember When](#) NEW
[COVID-19 is Unpredictable](#)
[Ohio Nurses: We Need Your Help](#)
[Receiving the Vaccine \(Jimmy Malone PSA\)](#) NEW

GRAPHICS

[COVID-19 Vaccines: Ohio's Phased Approach](#)
[Masks Required/Capacity](#)
[What You Can Do](#)
[Social Distancing](#)
[All Printables](#)

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