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## How to Access COVID-19 Vaccine for Your Patients

Over the last few weeks, COVID-19 vaccine is arriving in our community and the State is in Phase 1A, Tier 1 and 2.

Vaccine is currently available to:

- High-risk health care workers in health care settings
- High-risk first responders
- Long-term care facility residents
- All other workers at risk in health care settings

As we move through the next phases, the community will rely on you and other area providers for guidance on when they qualify for vaccine and where they can be vaccinated. Benton-Franklin Health District is currently unable to conduct large-scale vaccination clinics, so we are relying on the health care systems and medical providers to vaccinate the community at large, as is done for other vaccines.

All providers are encouraged to register with DOH to receive and provide vaccine for their patient population. BFHD is here to provide technical assistance to support you in the sign-up process.

The following links will initiate this process with DOH:

- <https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/COVID19/HealthcareProviders/VaccineInformationforHealthcareProviders>
- <https://redcap.doh.wa.gov/surveys/?s=KMXJHMALX3>

If you are part of a health care system, reach out to your physician management group or your organization's leadership regarding the vaccine plan.

The DOH [PhaseFinder](#) tool will be advertised state-wide Jan. 18 and allows users to determine their phase. Although it will not be actively promoted until then, the application is live now. All approved vaccine providers in our community are listed for those who are eligible for vaccination.

For more information from DOH on COVID-19 vaccine go to [www.CovidVaccineWA.org](http://www.CovidVaccineWA.org).

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