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Cayuga County COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic for Priority/Eligible Populations

The Cayuga County Health Department has received the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine and a vaccination clinic has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 2021. The clinic will be held at the Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES campus located at 1879 W. Genesee St. Rd., Auburn, NY 13021. Appointments are required. Instructions on how to schedule an appointment are on page 2 of this document.

Limited amounts of COVID-19 vaccine are available during the first phase of the COVID-19 vaccination program in New York. Vaccines must be given according to the prioritization plan established by New York State and the New York State Department of Health.

Those who are eligible for the vaccine in the Phase 1A rollout now include:

- Healthcare personnel (i.e. paid and unpaid personnel working in a healthcare setting), first responders in medical roles such as emergency medical services providers, Medical Examiners and Coroners, funeral workers, ambulatory care providers, and persons living in and working in Long Term Care Facilities (LTCFs) including congregate settings overseen by Office of People with Developmental Disabilities (OPWDD), Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office of Addiction Service and Support (OASAS).
- All Outpatient/Ambulatory front-line, high-risk health care workers of any age who:
 - o provide direct in-person patient care, or other staff in a position in which they have direct contact with patients (i.e., intake staff), will be eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccine.
 - This includes, but is not limited to, individuals who work in private medical practices; hospital-affiliated medical practices; public health clinics; specialty medical practices of all types; dental practices of all types; dialysis workers; diagnostic and treatment centers; occupational therapists; physical therapists; speech therapists; phlebotomists; behavioral health workers; and student health workers.
- All front-line, high-risk public health workers who have direct contact with patients, including those conducting COVID-19 tests, those handling COVID-19 lab specimens and those directly engaged in COVID-19 vaccinations, will be eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccine.
- Home care workers and aides, hospice workers, personal care aides, and consumer-directed personal care workers.
- Staff and residents of nursing homes, skilled nursing facilities, and adult care facilities.

This clinic on Tuesday is expanding to two groups under Phase 1B – law enforcement and teachers. Those other eligible populations under Phase 1B will be notified of clinics in the future.



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At this time, the vaccine cannot be used for any other populations or groups other than those listed above.

How to make an appointment to be vaccinated:

- 1. If you have questions regarding the Moderna vaccine, we ask that you contact you healthcare provider before making an appointment.
- 2. Make sure you are included in one of the eligible priority populations listed on page one of this document.
 - a. DO NOT schedule an appointment if you are not eligible. You will be turned away at the clinic.
- 3. If you are currently in mandatory isolation or quarantine, you will not be admitted into the clinic.
- 4. Find the appointment-scheduling link by visiting www.cayugacounty.us/health and click the COVID-19 vaccination clinic button.
 - a. If you are having difficulty, try a different internet browser, such as Google Chrome.
 - b. If you do not have access to the internet, a computer or smartphone, or if you are having technical difficulties registering, please contact the City of Auburn. The number to call for assistance is 315-253-8316. City of Auburn employees will answer the phone Monday Friday, 8am 4pm.
- 5. Plan to bring proof of eligibility to the vaccination clinic. This may include an employee ID card, a letter from an employer or affiliated organization, or a pay stub, depending on the specific priority status. Also, have your NYS Driver's License with you.

What to expect at the clinic:

- If you are not feeling well the day of your appointment, we ask that you cancel your appointment and look to reschedule.
- When you arrive at the clinic, plan to stay in your vehicle until your appointment time.
 - We cannot accommodate individuals who arrive early.
- Please complete the vaccine eligibility attestation form in your vehicle prior to entering the clinic. This form must be completed the day of your appointment.
 - o https://forms.ny.gov/s3/vaccine
- Masks will be required throughout the clinic and social distancing must be maintained.
- You will be required to stay for observation for 15 30 minutes after receiving the vaccine.

The Cayuga County Health Department is planning to host future COVID-19 clinics in the coming days. Those dates and times will be promoted once the clinics are confirmed.