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COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments to Open

Monroe, MI, January 15, 2021 – On January 19 beginning at 9:00 A.M, the Monroe County Health Department (MCHD) will be scheduling COVID-19 vaccination appointments for the following dates: January 20, 21 and 22. Residents age 65 and over, as well as specified frontline workers as outlined below, are eligible to schedule an appointment. Please be patient; you may be eligible to receive the vaccine, but this does not mean that it will be immediately available to you based on the vaccine supply that is received by MCHD.

If you are in one of the following groups:

- 65 years and over
- Pre-K through 12 teachers, support staff and child care workers who usually have **direct contact** with children
- First responders in Phase 1A, along with those frontline workers not covered in Phase 1A
- Frontline healthcare workers with direct patient contact from Phase 1A still needing vaccination
- Corrections workers (i.e., staff in jails, prisons, juvenile justice facilities)
- Workers in homeless shelters, congregate child care institutions, and adult and child protective services, then

You can register for an appointment on the Monroe County Health Department website:

www.healthymonroecounty.com/covidvaccine

Or by calling 734-240-7836.

Residents without an appointment will NOT receive a vaccine. The vaccination clinics will be held at the Monroe County Community College, Health Education Building (gymnasium building), 1555 S. Raisinville Road, Monroe, MI, 48161.

For those registered for an appointment, you will be asked for a driver's license (or other form of ID) and verification of place of employment at the time of your appointment. Residents 65 and over will not need to provide employment verification.

Please do not arrive any earlier than 15 minutes prior to your scheduled appointment.

Temperatures will be taken and COVID-19 screening questions will be asked upon arrival. Please do not arrive for your appointment if you are experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms (fever, loss of taste/smell, cough, shortness of breath, or any other COVID-19 symptoms). Masks **MUST** be worn for the duration of the appointment indoors.

We expect the available appointments to fill quickly. Once filled, additional appointments will be made available after our COVID-19 vaccine supply is replenished. There may be a pause in appointment availability based on our vaccine inventory. Please be assured that as more vaccine is received, additional appointment slots will be opened up.

For general COVID-19 questions, please call 734-240-7860.

For additional information about the COVID-19 vaccine and prioritization phases in Michigan, please visit www.michigan.gov/covidvaccine.