



# COVID VACCINE INFORMATION

## CURRENT VACCINE PHASE 1c

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In Southeastern North Carolina, VA healthcare employees are working around the clock to distribute the COVID vaccine to all current eligible Veterans. We are currently offering the Moderna vaccine to Veterans who meet the criteria for phase 1c.

### HOW DO I SCHEDULE MY COVID VACCINE?

**1** Review the four categories of eligibility below to see if you meet any element of the criteria in any one of the defined categories.

**2** If you are eligible to receive a vaccine, **please call 910-475-6622** to schedule an appointment through our drive-thru vaccine clinic. We are not taking walk-ins at this time.

*\*Please note, with 73,000 Veterans in our catchment area, our call center is fielding hundreds of calls daily. To best serve you and your fellow Veteran, we have set-up a voice mailbox to ensure no need is missed. We ask that you leave your name and number, and we will return your call within 48 hours to schedule your vaccine appointment.*

**3** If you are **NOT** eligible to receive a vaccine **at this time**, please monitor our website or our Facebook site for vaccine phase updates. Site information below.

### PHASE 1C ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

#### VETERANS WHO ARE ESSENTIAL WORKERS

*No matter health conditions or age*

- Health Care Employees
- First responders
- Education (to include daycare)
- Food and agriculture
- Manufacturing
- Corrections workers
- U.S. Postal Service workers
- Public transit workers
- Grocery store workers

#### OTHER ELIGIBLE GROUPS

- Caregivers of a Veteran enrolled in the Comprehensive Caregiver Support Program and receiving a monthly allotment from the VA.

#### VETERANS 65+

*No matter health condition*

#### VETERANS WITH A HIGH-RISK MEDICAL CONDITIONS

*No matter the age*

- Cancer
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Down Syndrome
- Heart conditions
- Immunocompromised
- Organ transplant
- Obesity [BMI] of 30 kg/m<sup>2</sup> or higher
- Pregnancy
- Sickle cell disease
- Type 1&2 diabetes
- Asthma (moderate-to-severe)
- Cerebrovascular disease
- Guillain-Barre syndrome
- Spinal Cord Injury
- Cystic fibrosis
- Hypertension or high blood pressure
- Bone marrow transplant, immune deficiencies, HIV, use of corticosteroids, or
- Neurologic conditions, such as dementia
- Liver disease
- Pulmonary fibrosis (having damaged or scarred lung tissues)
- Thalassemia (a type of blood disorder)
- Chronic kidney disease
- COPD
- HEMOC

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