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We continue to make progress in vaccinating Door County residents slightly ahead of the state average. According to the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) Door County has provided the first doses of vaccination to approximately 21.9% of our population and 53 % of those over the age of 65. For more information about vaccination progress, please visit [COVID-19: Vaccine Data | Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#)

Beginning March 1, 2020, the state has added more groups eligible for vaccine.

The following groups are currently eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine (in priority order):

- Frontline health care personnel
- Residents of long-term care
- Police and fire personnel, correctional staff
- Adults age 65 and older
- Education and child care staff
- Individuals enrolled in Medicaid long-term care programs
- Some public-facing essential workers such as 911 operators, public transit, and grocery store employees
- Non-frontline essential health care personnel
- Facility staff and residents of congregate living settings

Full details can be seen here. [Groups Now Eligible for the COVID-19 Vaccine | Wisconsin Department of Health Services](#)

Door County Public Health is currently vaccinating those 65+, and will continue with this group giving them priority. We will add other groups after as there is less demand for vaccine appointments by this group. For those individuals under 65 receiving the vaccine we will require proof of employment to confirm everyone meets the employment requirements to be eligible. The state is providing Public Health a separate allocation of vaccine for the K-12 and child care staff beginning March 15. We are working with schools and child care agencies to schedule appointments for these staff members. School staff we will be sent separate directions related to scheduling.

Door County Public Health is currently open to adding individuals age 65+ and individuals enrolled in Medicaid Long-Term Care programs to our waiting list. If you do not fit one of these categories please hold off on registering at this time. We hope to begin adding others eligible groups within the next week to two. You can get on this list by registering at <https://dcpwaitlist.timetap.com/> or calling 746-7180. Once you are registered, you will remain on our list until we contact you to schedule an appointment. We will continue scheduling appointments weekly when we know our allocations for those weeks.

As we indicated last week, we may at times when we have to shut down our system so that it does not become overwhelmed. When we have capacity, we will then open it back up. As we add new groups, it will be more complex to prioritize individuals and make sure those given top priority are always first in our process. Please know we are doing our best to adhere to the policy provided by the state.

Our community partners including DCMC and some pharmacies are also providing vaccinations. We are all finding that many people have signed up at more than one place. If you have done this and you receive the vaccines we would ask that you let any other providers know that you are no longer in need of the vaccine. This will help all of us manage our waiting list more efficiently. You can find vaccine providers at the following link. <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-map.htm>

We will continue to provide updates through the local media, the Door County website [Door County, WI | Official Website](#) , and Door County Public Health Facebook Page at [Door County Public Health | Facebook](#) .

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