



Memo: COVID-19 Vaccination Phase 1a Information

To: Gateways Employees

Gateways Community Services is working closely with the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services and Nashua Public Health Department to make sure our staff, vendor partners, and clients know when they may be eligible for the COVID-19 Vaccine.

Phase 1a has begun. It includes three categories:

- (1) at-risk health workers,
- (2) older adults in residential care settings, and
- (3) first responders

Regarding the first category, Gateways staff are being identified based on prioritization guidelines and will soon begin to register to receive the vaccine. Regarding the second category, we have a few vendors with clients living in congregate care settings that are able to work with the Pharmacy Partnership for Long Term Care Program (PPP) to obtain vaccination for those clients and their staff.

Gateways will notify Phase 1a eligible employees in waves and provide detailed instructions on exactly where and how to get vaccinated. This may include one of the following locations (exact timing, availability, and location yet to be determined):

- “Closed Pod” (a private, on-site vaccination clinic monitored by Nashua Public Health),
- “Fixed Site” (one of 13 locations in the state monitored by the National Guard),
- through a primary care provider, or
- at a vaccination clinic at a local pharmacy.

The populations that fall into the next phases, such as Phase 1b, are still being determined by state officials. Additional information concerning vaccination and prioritization can be found as follows:

- <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/covid19/documents/phase-1a-technical-assistance.pdf>,
- <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/alerts/documents/covid-19-update31.pdf>, and
- www.nh.gov/covid19/resources-guidance/vaccination-planning.htm

If you have any questions, feel free to contact your manager/supervisor. We look forward to sharing additional information with you, our vendors, and clients regarding the planning and distribution of vaccines as it is released by State and Local officials. Thank you for helping to keep our staff, clients, and communities safe and healthy!

Sincerely,
Gateways Community Services