

## COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet

### Ohio Phase 2D COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

Ohioans age 16 and older became eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine under **Phase 2D** of Ohio's vaccination program effective Monday, March 29, 2021.

#### **Phase 2D**

As vaccine supply is becoming more widely available, COVID-19 vaccinations will be open to all Ohioans ages 16 and older effective Monday, March 29, 2021.

With parent or legal guardian consent, individuals ages 16 and 17 will be eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine, which is the only COVID-19 vaccine currently authorized for use under age 18. Children ages 16 and 17 who are not emancipated must have parental or legal guardian consent for any vaccine. A parent or legal guardian generally should accompany the minor to receive the vaccine, unless the administration of the vaccine occurs in a physician's office, school-based or school-associated clinic setting or similar setting. Parents/legal guardians will be asked to provide digital consent if scheduling an appointment through the VMS. They also may be asked to sign a consent form on site.

#### **How to find vaccine providers, schedule appointments**

Ohioans can find providers participating in Ohio's Vaccine Program the following ways:

- Ohio's vaccine appointment scheduling system, [Vaccine Management Solution \(VMS\)](#) – This one-stop resource for patients beginning the vaccination process will allow Ohioans to determine eligibility, find a provider, schedule appointments, submit health information, and receive updates and reminders. Visit [gettheshot.coronavirus.ohio.gov to get started](#). Find frequently asked questions, facts and training materials on the [Get the Shot page](#) at [coronavirus.ohio.gov](#).
  - VMS requires consent digitally from a parent or legal guardian scheduling a vaccine appointment for youth ages 16-17.
- The **COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Locations** directory at [vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov](#) is a resource that shows providers who have received shipments of COVID-19 vaccines. The COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Locations directory is searchable by county and ZIP code.
- In addition, vaccine supply is also available through the [Federal Retail Pharmacy Program for COVID-19 Vaccination](#). Eligible Ohioans who want to find a participating pharmacy should visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's [VaccineFinder](#). This is a free, online service.

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For additional information, visit [coronavirus.ohio.gov](#). For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

**Your mental health is just as important as your physical health. If you or a loved one are experiencing anxiety related to the coronavirus pandemic, help is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Call the COVID-19 CareLine at 1-800-720-9616.**