

COVID-19 Vaccination Access Guide

Supporting Long-Term Care and Post-Acute Care Settings



Enroll Your Building as a Vaccine Provider

WHY?

- COVID-19 vaccine and booster efforts will be ongoing through 2022 and beyond.
- **Improve patient safety**, minimizing risk of falls and infection exposure by vaccinating on-site.
- **No timing or volume restrictions**; give your team control over when you vaccinate, eliminating restrictions from external vaccination partners.
- **Lower your building's exposure risk** by offering the vaccine to family and friends of residents and staff.

HOW?

- [Enroll](#) your building as a COVID-19 vaccine provider with your state health department.
 - [Idaho](#)
 - [Nevada](#)
 - [Utah](#)
 - [New Mexico](#)
 - [Oregon](#)
 - [Washington](#)
- Your building will be responsible for all state reporting requirements, proper storage and handling and other COVID-19 vaccine-specific guidelines. Review the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) [COVID-19 Provider FAQ](#) and [Vaccine Storage Toolkit](#) for more information and resources. The CDC also has a [webinar series](#) for training providers.
- Be sure to reach out to your state's health department with any questions you may have about requirements, as there may be other resources to assist your team in overcoming barriers. For example:
 - Nevada developed a [pharmacy depot program](#) to eliminate barriers of stocking the COVID-19 vaccine. Oregon's [vaccine redistribution hubs](#) offer similar benefits.
 - Oregon may be able to help offset costs of storage and handling equipment (i.e. freezer, temperature monitoring) for facilities through this [application](#).
 - Utah's primary point of contact, if you have any difficulties using the online tools, is Cindy Wynette at cwynette@utah.gov
- Find your state's Immunization Information System (IIS) resource guide [here](#).



Request a Partner to Provide Vaccines On-Site

WHY?

- You are unable to enroll as a COVID-19 vaccine provider after reviewing the [COVID-19 Provider FAQ](#).
- **Improve patient safety**, minimizing risk of falls and infection exposure by vaccinating on-site.

HOW?

- Request a COVID-19 vaccination clinic on-site by contacting [your local pharmacy](#).
- You may also be able to partner with an LTC pharmacy participating in the [Long-Term Care Federal Retail Pharmacy Program](#) if available in your state.
- Your state's health department may also be able to coordinate staff to administer vaccines at your building:
 - [Idaho](#)
 - [New Mexico](#)
 - [Nevada](#)
 - [Oregon](#)
 - [Utah*](#)
 - [Washington](#)

*Utah's Vaccine Program point of contact, Cindy Wynette, can assist in setting up on-site vaccine clinics. Email her at cwynette@utah.gov



Encourage External Appointments for Residents and Staff

WHY?

- You are unable to provide vaccines to your residents or staff on-site.

HOW?

- Visit [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) for information on where to get vaccinated.
- Text your ZIP code to 438829 or call 1-800-232-0233 to find vaccine locations near you.
- Check your local pharmacy's website to see if vaccination appointments are available. Find out which pharmacies are participating in the [Federal Retail Pharmacy Program](#).