

VACCINE NEWS: WEEKLY REVIEW

THIS WEEK'S PROGRESS

- On Jan. 25, Governor Andy Beshear announced Kentucky had administered 88% of all initial vaccine doses sent to the state's program.
- On Jan. 26, Gov. Beshear spoke with the President's COVID-19 team where he learned the federal government will increase each state's supply of COVID-19 vaccines by 17%. The state was also guaranteed a minimum supply for three consecutive weeks.
- A new state website, vaccine.ky.gov, and hotline was unveiled on Jan. 28 that helps Kentuckians determine if they are eligible to receive a vaccine and then helps them find a site in their region.
- The hotline – 855-598-2246 or TTY 855-326-4654 (for deaf and hard of hearing Kentuckians) – is available 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. EST Monday through Friday. Hotline operators are prepared to walk a person without internet through what's on the website via a phone call.

NEXT WEEK'S GOALS

- Vaccine allocations, week of Feb. 1: Pfizer 28,275; Moderna 36,700
- The state, in partnership with Kroger Health, will open its first regional vaccination site at the Kentucky Horse Park in Fayette County next week. Three additional [regional sites](#) are opening through partners Ephraim McDowell Hospital in Danville and Western Baptist and Lourdes Mercy both in Paducah. Learn more, [here](#).
- Beginning Feb. 1, 2021, the COVID-19 vaccination priority will be phase 1B, people ages 70 or older. Other Kentuckians from phases 1A and 1B remain eligible for vaccination.
- As vaccine quantities and available appointments allow, persons in phase 1C may also be scheduled, to ensure each vaccination site administers 90% or more of the doses received within seven days of arrival.

THINGS TO KNOW

- The Governor said the top-line message on vaccines is the same as it has been: Our one issue is supply. Our only limitation at this point is the number of doses we can get from the federal government.
- Continue to social distance, wear a face mask in public, and wash your hands, *even if you have received the vaccine*.
- Resources, FAQs, links to information: kycovid19.ky.gov.



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