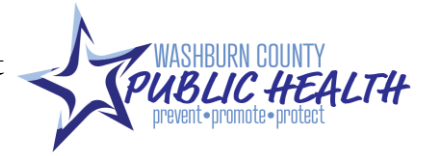




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Washburn County Health Department COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

The Washburn County Health Department will be holding COVID-19 vaccination clinics starting the week of January 25, 2021, with 400 doses allotted by the state for this week's clinics. Only eligible groups, as determined by the State, may be vaccinated. Dates and times will be released when appointment registration opens (see below).

Groups eligible for vaccination as of Monday, January 25 include:

- 1A – frontline health care workers
- 1A – long-term care residents
- 1B – police and fire personnel
- 1B – adults 65 years and older

Appointments will be required for vaccination. Online registration is **strongly** encouraged. Registration will open at 8:00 AM on Monday, January 25 at <https://www.washburncodisaster.org/covid-19>. Individuals unable to register online can call the Washburn County Health Department at 715-635-4400 for help scheduling an appointment. We will not take appointments before 8:00 AM on Monday, January 25. There is no wait list available. Future clinics will utilize the same registration instructions, opening at 8:00 AM on the Monday of that week's clinic(s).

Face masks will be required at all Washburn County Health Department vaccine clinics. Do not attend if you are having symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19 in the past 14 days. If you have a history of serious allergic reaction (hives, swelling of the tongue and lips, difficulty breathing) or have ever had an allergic reaction to polysorbate or polyethylene glycol, please contact your primary care provider about vaccination.

Vaccination will take time. Washburn County businesses and residents should continue taking the following steps to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Avoid social gatherings with anyone other than people who live in your home, as much as possible.
- Avoid large gatherings.
- Physical distancing of at least 6 feet from people who do not live together.
- Use of face masks or coverings when in public places.
- Frequent hand washing with soap and water, or sanitize with hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol if soap and water are unavailable.
- If experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 (<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/symptoms.htm>), isolate yourself as much as possible and get tested. Call your hospital/medical provider before visiting in-person.
- Businesses should follow the WEDC's guidelines for reopening (<https://wedc.org/reopen-guidelines/>)

Visit <https://www.co.washburn.wi.us/news/public-health/Coronavirus-Outbreak> for general COVID-19 information. Visit <https://www.co.washburn.wi.us/news/public-health/COVID-19-Vaccine> for more information about COVID-19 Vaccine.