

Hamilton Co. Health Dept. Set to Begin Offering COVID-19 Vaccinations to Residents Age 65 or Older, Certain School Teachers, and School Staff on February 22

The Hamilton County Health Department announced its age-based vaccinations will soon include Hamilton County residents age 65 or older. **Beginning Monday, February 22**, any Hamilton County resident age 65 or older will be eligible to schedule COVID-19 vaccine appointments. This move represents a transition from the previous age bracket limiting COVID-19 vaccinations to individuals age 70 or older. There are no medical conditions required for age-based eligibility. This means that individuals age 65 or older will only need to show proof of residency at his or her appointment. Proof of residency can be shown with documentation verifying the individual's home address.

The Health Department also announced expansion to Phase 1b. This expansion means childcare, pre-school, and K-12 teachers will be eligible for COVID-19 vaccinations on February 22 as well. School staff and school bus drivers are included in Phase 1b. First responders not already included in Phases 1a1 will be a part of Phase 1b. Phase-based eligibility requires proof of employment at the vaccination site. This expansion in Hamilton County coincides with the update to the [Tennessee Department of Health's Vaccination Plan](#) taking place across the State of Tennessee.

The Hamilton County Health Department will not allow members of the expanded groups access to the appointments prior to February 22. Eligible individuals are encouraged to continue monitoring for announcements of additional appointment opportunities.

Who: Hamilton County residents age 65 or older and Phase 1b (childcare, pre-school, kindergarten through 12th grade teachers, school staff, school bus drivers, and first responders not already included in Phase 1a1).

Where: The exact location is determined at time of appointment.

- Tennessee Riverpark — 4301 Amnicola Highway, Chattanooga, TN 37406
- CARTA Bus Barn — 1617 Wilcox Boulevard, Chattanooga, TN 37406
- Enterprise South Nature Park — 190 Still Hollow Loop, Chattanooga, TN 37416

When: Appointment scheduling begins February 22.

How: Online appointments will be available at health.hamiltontn.org. For a video tutorial on scheduling online appointments, please visit the Hamilton County Health Department's [YouTube page](#).

Phone appointments can be made by calling 423-209-5398.

The press release including full details is available [here](#).

Additional Health Department Updates

[Tennessee Department of Health Launched New Online Scheduling Tool to Book Vaccine Appointments](#)

The Tennessee Department of Health recently launched a new online scheduling tool at COVID19.TN.gov for eligible Tennesseans to book vaccine appointments at participating health departments. If you previously registered for an appointment, you do not need to re-enter your information.

[Health Department Announces Additional First Dose COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments; for Phases 1a1, 1a2 and Adults 70+](#)

The Hamilton County Health Department has added a total of 4,080 new first dose Pfizer appointment opportunities to the schedule for February 22-23, 2021, at the CARTA Bus Barn, and February 27-28 at Enterprise South Nature Center. Click [here](#) to view the official announcement and details.

[Health Department Announces Additional Second Dose COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments; for Phases 1a1, 1a2 and Adults 70+](#)

The Hamilton County Health Department has added 3,134 second dose Pfizer appointments to the schedule for February 21-24, 2021, at the Tennessee Riverpark and the CARTA Bus Barn. Click [here](#) to view the official announcement and details.

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