

Coalition Communication: Behavioral Health



COVID-19 UPDATES

Phase 1A remains open with an acknowledgement that vaccinating congregate care facilities and high-risk healthcare providers will take more time. Continue collaborating with your local health departments as they work hard to distribute the vaccine supplies currently available.

Phase 1B is also open for Ohioans aged 65 and above and those with severe congenital or developmental disorders, along with employees of K-12 schools, and [Ohioans born with or who have early childhood conditions that are carried into adulthood](#), which put them at a higher risk for adverse outcomes due to COVID-19. Vaccine information is [available in plain language](#) for those Ohioans with developmental disabilities.

[Vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://vaccine.coronavirus.ohio.gov) is an online resource for Ohioans to learn which providers received a COVID-19 vaccine allotment and how to contact them. If you or someone you know is eligible to receive a vaccine in Phase 1B, they should use this tool.

INDUSTRY INFORMATION

■ The Governor’s Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, in partnership with Ohio Department of Health, OhioMHAS, and [CAS](#), are partnering to host a [series of virtual town hall events](#) to discuss the COVID-19 vaccine as it relates to special populations in Ohio. Hear from medical experts, community leaders, and public health professionals. More information on how to join the following live stream events is available at coronavirus.ohio.gov/townhall.

March 1 | 6:30 p.m. – Asian American and Pacific Islander Ohioans

March 2 | 6:30 p.m. – Rural Ohioans

Now available on demand:

- [Town Hall with a focus on concerns of Ohio’s African American Community](#)
- [Town Hall with a focus on concerns of Ohio’s Latino Community \(en español\)](#)

■ Everyone experiences stress - challenges with work, chronic disease, or an argument with a loved one. Confidential support is offered 24/7. Call the Ohio CareLine at **1-800-720-9616**, or text the keyword “**4hope**” to **741-741**.

KEY STATS

Data as of 2/25/2021

PUBLIC ADVISORY SYSTEM



21-DAY TRENDS

Case Average	2,374
Death Average *	267
Hospitalization Average	132
ICU Admission Average	14

*ODH continues to reconcile death data, which will result in fluctuations in death numbers.

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If we can help you assemble materials or if you have suggestions for the **behavioral health team**, please contact **Lindsay Deering** at lindsay.deering@mha.ohio.gov.



SUGGESTED SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

Right now, vaccine supply is still limited. Proper prevention, like wearing masks & social distancing, is still needed to reduce your chance of being exposed to or spreading the virus during the pandemic. Don't let up. <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/vaccine>
#InThisTogether

Safe. Effective. Rigorously tested. #COVID19 vaccines are rolling out to older Ohioans. While it will take time before it is available for everyone, it's the best way to protect our health and help Ohio on the road to recovery. <https://youtu.be/p0-MgPCQFhk>

Fact: You can't get COVID-19 from receiving a #COVID19 vaccine. Having symptoms like fever or soreness after you get a vaccine is a normal sign that your immune system is learning to fight the virus. See more myths vs. facts at <https://bit.ly/OHVaccineMyths>.

Curious about COVID-19 vaccines? Separate facts from fiction and get answers to your vaccine questions at Ohio's COVID-19 Vaccine Town Halls. Hear from medical experts, community leaders, and public health professionals. Learn more at coronavirus.ohio.gov/townhall.

During this time of increased stressors, it's important to have access to the resources that can help children and adults to cope, heal and grow. Visit <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Reset-and-RestartYouth-Adults-Mental-Health-and-Wellness-O> to access the **Youth & Adults Mental Health and Wellness Outreach** webpage, created by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.

How can a vaccine protect you from getting very sick from COVID-19? Learn more here <http://bit.ly/OHVaccine-PlainFAQ>

TALKING POINTS FOR YOU

- Each week, Ohio receives approximately 140,000 doses of COVID-19 vaccines to use on Ohioans in Phase 1B. With 2.2 million Ohioans in this group, the weekly impact gradually helps Ohio on the road back. [Average weekly vaccinations \(JPG\)](#)
- Trust the facts: Attend an upcoming COVID-19 Vaccine Town Hall. [Town Hall Comms Toolkit](#)
- We have to do all that we can to continue protecting ourselves and others from contracting and spreading COVID-19. It's important that we continue to wash our hands regularly, maintain social distancing, and wear our masks anytime we are out with others.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- ✓ Set a good example, by wearing a mask, making virtual accommodations, and maintaining social distance when meeting face-to-face with others.
- ✓ Post on social media to describe how you are working to keep your clients or patients safe (and what they can do to help you maintain a safe environment).
- ✓ Submit letters to the editor or local news outlets that support the "COVID-19 Key Messages;" wear a mask, wash hands often, and social distance.

RESOURCES

VACCINE COMMUNICATIONS TOOLKIT

[COVID-19 Vaccine Communications Toolkit](#)

HASHTAGS TO USE

#InThisTogetherOhio
#OhioSmallBusinesses
#ResponsibleRestartOhio
#MasksOnOhio
#StaySafeOhio

LATEST UPDATES

[COVID-19 Vaccination Program](#)
[Public Health Orders](#)
[Sector-Specific Requirements](#)
[Myths vs. Facts: COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
[Average Weekly Vaccinations](#)

VIDEOS

[The Road Back Remember When](#)
[COVID-19 is Unpredictable](#)
[Ohio Nurses: We Need Your Help](#)
[PSA Message About Receiving the COVID-19 Vaccine](#)

GRAPHICS

[COVID-19 Vaccines: Ohio's Phased Approach](#)
[Masks Required/Capacity](#)
[What You Can Do](#)
[Social Distancing](#)
[All Printables](#)

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