

COVID-19 Vaccine Administration

Mercy Medical Group started patient vaccination the week of January 11th, with vaccine clinics located in North and South Sacramento for patients 75 and older. We reached out to our patients in this age category who we knew to have medical conditions placing them at high risk for complications from COVID-19 infection. We are planning additional vaccine clinics this week, and will expand access to patients who are 65 and older with high-risk medical conditions. We will call our patients in this category to offer appointments.

We will continue to follow California Department of Public Health and CDC guidelines for prioritization.

What You Need To Know (updated January 19, 2021):

How we are prioritizing vaccines and contacting patients:

- With a limited number of vaccine appointments available, we're prioritizing patients according to guidelines from health agencies.
- We are starting with Mercy Medical Group patients who are 65 years old and older and who have a medical condition which would make them particularly susceptible to serious complications from COVID-19.
- We will be proactively contacting Mercy Medical Group patients who meet these criteria to set up appointments.
- We respectfully request our patients who desire COVID-19 vaccination not call us to try to schedule a vaccination appointment at this time. We will be reaching out by phone to qualifying patients as our vaccine supply allows.

How it will work:

- When we contact eligible patients to make an appointment, we will include instructions on where to go to receive the vaccine and we'll also set a date and time for your second vaccine dose.

- Please allow for drive time to the location as well as up to 30 minutes after the vaccination to be monitored for any allergic reactions.

What is next:

- We will continue to post updates on this website, including when we are able to offer more appointments to more age groups.
- We are committed to distributing vaccines as equitably and broadly as possible in accordance with prioritization guidelines from health agencies.
- We hope to rapidly scale the deployment of the vaccine and expand it to larger number of patients as soon as possible. This is just the start of what we hope will culminate in making vaccine available to everyone in our community who desire it.

Please check our website regularly for updates. If you are not a Mercy Medical Group patient, contact your local county public health department for updates.