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Halifax County COVID-19 Vaccine Update

Halifax – Halifax County Health Department is now taking **FIRST DOSE** appointments by **online registration** for the following groups:

Group 1:

- Health care workers caring for and working directly with patients with COVID-19, including staff responsible for cleaning and maintenance in those areas
- Health care workers administering the vaccine
- Long-term care staff and residents – people in skilled nursing facilities and in adult, family and group homes.

Group 2:

- Anyone **65 years and older**, regardless of health status or living situation

Group 3: Frontline essential workers – 18+ years old

- The CDC defines frontline essential workers as workers who are in sectors essential to the functioning of society and who are at substantially higher risk for exposure to COVID-19
- First responders (fire fighters and police officers), corrections officers, food and agricultural workers, U.S. Postal Service workers, manufacturing workers, grocery store workers, public transit workers, and those who work in the education sector (teachers and support staff members) as well as child care workers.

Group 4: Adults at high risk for exposure and increased risk of severe illness

- Anyone **18-64 years** old with high-risk medical conditions that increase risk of severe disease from COVID-19 such as cancer, COPD, serious heart conditions, sickle cell disease, Type 2 diabetes, among others, regardless of living situation
- Anyone who is incarcerated or living in other close group living settings who is not already vaccinated due to age, medical condition or job function
- Essential workers not yet vaccinated. The CDC defines these as workers in transportation and logistics, water and wastewater, food service, shelter and housing (e.g., construction), finance (e.g., bank tellers), information technology and communications, energy, legal, media, public safety (e.g., engineers) and public health workers

Group 5: Anyone ages 18 and over who wants a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccination

Halifax County Health Department will offer **FIRST DOSE** appointments to anyone 18 years and older by **online registration** on **Thursday, April 1, 2021 from 12 noon - 7:00 pm** at **Pleasant Grove Baptist Church 4531** located at **NC Highway 43 Hollister, NC**. The vaccine clinic will be held at the **church's Life Center**. To schedule a first dose appointment, please visit:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4FAAA62EA1FEC43-401>

Appointments are preferred however, walk-ups accepted!

Anyone who could not secure an appointment for a vaccine, please email Covid-19@halifaxnc.com and share your name and phone number. You will be placed on a wait list. Should an opening become available, you will receive a call giving you the opportunity to receive an appointment.

For more information regarding COVID-19 Vaccinations, please visit:
<https://covid19.ncdhhs.gov/vaccines>

For the latest COVID-19 vaccination information, please text COVIDVAX to 888777.
You will be able to sign up to receive text messages for latest information related to COVID-19.

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