

Letter Electronically Distributed to Veterans

Minneapolis VA COVID-19 Vaccine Plan for Veterans

The arrival of the COVID-19 vaccine has provided hope that this pandemic can come to an end. We have a limited amount of COVID-19 vaccines at this time. We have already started vaccinating Veterans who are at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19 in select populations. We will be gradually opening it up to more Veterans as we follow national guidance of phased priority groups. **If you are eligible to get a vaccine during a specific phase of vaccination, our VA COVID-19 Vaccine Team will mail you a letter to your address on record with the VA, with instructions of how you can set up your vaccine appointment.** For select groups, we will call you to schedule your vaccine appointment and mail you a letter. Please do not come to or contact a VA facility to receive a vaccine until your appointment is scheduled. Our staff cannot provide vaccines to anyone who is not eligible based on national guidance for the current stage of vaccination that we are in.

What you can do now:

Express interest in getting the vaccine and subscribe for information updates about the vaccine. Visit www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/ and select the button "sign up to stay informed." By signing up and expressing your interest in receiving the vaccine, you can help us better prepare as we work to offer vaccines to more Veterans.

Visit our Minneapolis VA COVID-19 Vaccine

Website. Visit www.minneapolis.va.gov/services/covid-19-vaccines.asp to stay up to date on our local Minneapolis VA stages of vaccine rollout.

Learn more about COVID-19 vaccines. For information about how COVID-19 vaccines work, possible side effects, and answers to common questions, go to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) website www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/.

Confirm that the VA has an accurate address on record for you. Follow [these instructions](#) to update your contact information with the VA. Or you can update this information at any scheduled VA appointment.

Sincerely,

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