



COVID VACCINE Q&A SHEET FOR ADULTS WITH ID/DD IN GEORGIA

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Who is eligible for the vaccine?

Adults with disabilities - physical, intellectual, and developmental disabilities (ID/DD) - as well as their caregivers, are eligible to receive vaccine. Caregivers may be paid or unpaid.

How is a "person with a physical disability" defined?

A physical disability is a physical condition that affects a person's mobility, physical capacity, stamina, or dexterity. This can include traumatic brain or spinal cord injuries, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy, respiratory disorders, epilepsy, hearing and visual impairments and more.

How is a "person with ID/DD" defined?

According to the Georgia Department of Public Health:

An intellectual disability is a disability characterized by significant limitations in both intellectual functioning and in adaptive behavior, which covers many everyday social and practical skills. This disability originates before the age of 22.

A developmental disability is a physical or mental impairment that happens before the age of 22, is expected to last a lifetime, and impacts at least three activities of daily living. Activities of daily living include self-care; receptive and expressive language; learning; mobility; self-direction; capacity for independent living; and economic self-sufficiency.

How is a "caregiver" defined?

A caregiver is someone who provides support for someone with ID/DD in at least one of their activities of daily living. Activities of daily living include self-care; receptive and expressive language; learning; mobility; self-direction; capacity for independent living; and economic self-sufficiency.

Caregivers may be paid (e.g., direct-support professionals) or unpaid (e.g., friends and family members).

What will I need to show to prove I am eligible for vaccine?

Proof of eligibility or identification is not required at vaccination sites. Self-reporting of disability and/or caregiver status is sufficient and will be asked during the registration process.

If I am a caregiver, is the person I support required to attend the appointment with me?

No, the person supported by the caregiver is not required to be present when the caregiver is vaccinated. However, it may be helpful for the caregiver to go with the person with ID/DD to support the individual with ID/DD through the process.

Where can I get the vaccine?

Appointments are required, and there are several ways people can sign up. Visit www.dph.georgia.gov/covid-vaccine to access the various portals, which are also outlined below.

- o Schedule with the health department at www.dph.georgia.gov/covid-vaccine.
 - Click on "Health Department Scheduling." This will allow people to schedule appointments in health department-sponsored sites across the state.
 - You will input your address, and it will provide appointments for a site near your home
 - You can also call the Health Department Vaccine Scheduling Resource Line at (888) 457-0186, available Monday – Friday, 8AM – 8PM ET, and Saturday/Sunday, 8AM – 5PM ET.
 - Visit <u>www.myvaccinegeorgia.com</u> for information on eligibility and to pre-register for an appointment.
 - Delta Air Lines Museum
 1220 Woolman Place SW, Hapeville, GA 30354
 Phone: 844-275-5425 | TTY: 844-275-8944
 - LakePoint Sports Complex
 261 Stars Way, Emerson, GA 30121
 Phone: 844-275-8966 | TTY: 844-277-1404
 - Habersham County Fairgrounds
 4235 Toccoa Hwy, Clarkesville, GA 30523
 Phone: 844-275-5388 | TTY: 844-275-8938
 - Macon Farmers Market
 2055 Eisenhower Pkwy, Macon, GA 31206
 Phone: 844-274-9841 | TTY: 844-275-8208
 - Sandersville Word of Life Church
 1214 S. Harris Street, Sandersville, GA 31082
 Phone: 844-276-0928 | TTY: 844-277-1679
 - Columbus Civic Center
 1 Lumpkin Blvd, Columbus, GA 31901
 Phone: 844-276-1131 | TTY: 844-277-2803
 - Gulfstream Aerospace
 2 Innovation Drive, Savannah, GA 31408 (Via I-95 exit 104)

Phone: 844-276-2906 | TTY: 844-277-2830

Waycross Mall

2215 Memorial Drive, Waycross, GA 31501 Phone: 844-276-3952 | TTY: 844-277-3549

Pharmacy chains

- Find links to pharmacy chains at <u>www.dph.georgia.gov/covid-vaccine</u>. They are also listed below.
 - Kroger: www.krogerhealth.com
 - Ingles: www.ingles-markets.com/vaccinations
 - Publix: <u>www.publix.com/covid-vaccine</u>
 - U-Save-It: www.usaveitpharmacy.com
 - CVS: www.cvs.com/immunizations/covid-19-vaccine
 - Walgreens: www.walgreens.com/findcare/vaccination/covid-19
 - Walmart: www.walmart.com/cp/1228302

Other providers

 Visit this link to search for other providers in communities across Georgia: www.dph.georgia.gov/locations/covid-vaccination-site.

What happens if someone asks me to prove my eligibility status?

Let them know that self-reporting is the standard put forth by the Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH). Show them this document, which is an official product of DPH. Note: some providers may ask for identification to confirm the person presenting for vaccination is the person registered. It is not meant as a "policing" measure or to turn away a registered recipient.

Can I get a vaccination in my home?

We are working together on plans to offer vaccinations for individuals with ID/DD who are unable to leave their homes.

Are there other plans to offer community-based vaccination opportunities?

Yes. We are partnering with community clinics, universities, and organizations across the state to host accessible vaccination clinics for people with ID/DD.

Can I choose the brand of vaccine I receive?

No. Providers do not have allocations of each vaccine. All vaccines currently approved for use by the FDA are safe and effective against COVID-19.

Note: for individuals aged 16 and 17 who are in an eligible population for vaccination, <u>Pfizer is the only vaccine currently approved for these ages</u>. Please schedule an appointment at CVS or Walgreens or at one of the GEMA mass vaccination sites to ensure the Pfizer vaccine is available to you.