

Who is getting the vaccine and when???

Keller Army Community Hospital received the first shipment of the COVID-19 vaccine on Friday, January 8, 2021, and began administering vaccines, on Monday, January 11, 2021, at Keller Army Community Hospital.

The first recipients were members of the Phase 1a population which includes health care providers and staff, first responders, emergency services and public safety personnel, and service members supporting the national COVID-19 response.

Operation Immune Knight, West Point's vaccine distribution plan, will continue to vaccinate the 'phased populations' in order as described in the DoD Population Schema. The DoD Population Schema can be found on the Keller Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/kellerarmycommunityhospital>) and the Keller COVID-19 Vaccine Information page (<https://keller.tricare.mil/Health-Services/West-Point-Dept-of-Public-Health/COVID-19-Vaccine-INFO>).

The DoD Population Schema was updated on January 12, 2021.

West Point populations in Phase 1b now include personnel that are critical to national capabilities, military personnel preparing to deploy, beneficiaries older than 75-years-old, Child and Youth Services employees, DoD Education Activity staff, Dining Facility personnel, DoD Postal Service staff, and select mission essential personnel on West Point.

The Phase 1c population now includes beneficiaries' ages 65-74, high-risk beneficiaries – which includes all immunocompromised persons, and essential personnel not previously included in Phase 1a or 1b.

Keller will begin to vaccinate the Phase 1b and 1c population when (1) all Phase 1a population, who opted to receive the vaccine, have been vaccinated; and (2) we receive additional allotments of the COVID vaccine. If you are a TRICARE-insured beneficiary and you receive your care at Keller, you will be notified, by our appointment center, when the vaccine is available and we will schedule an appointment at the time of the notification. No registration is needed...we will call you.

The majority of the West Point population, to include the Corps of Cadets and beneficiaries that do not fall into the categories above, are now included in Phase 2, which we hope to begin in the late Winter/early Spring timeframe.

Additional information on "Operation Immune Knight" – West Point's COVID-19 vaccine distribution plan – can be found on the Keller COVID-19 Vaccine Information page, including a Town Hall video which explains the vaccine tier populations, allotments, and distribution.

We appreciate your patience as we await our allotments of the COVID-19 vaccine.

COVID-19 VACCINATION
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Is It Your Time to Get the COVID-19 Vaccine?



Health Care, Emergency, and Safety Personnel, and Other Essential and Critical Groups



PHASE 1A

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- Sub-tier 1 Emergency room, urgent care centers, and first responders (i.e., police, search and rescue, and fire personnel), and Armed Forces Retirement Home residents
 - Sub-tier 2 Health care and support personnel at military hospitals and clinics, along with other non-clinical staff authorized to receive vaccine from DoD, who support patient care with a high risk of exposure or potential to interface with COVID-19 positive cases
 - Sub-tier 3 Outpatient health care and support personnel, including National Guard and Reserve personnel as well as active duty service members **deploying or supporting COVID-19 response operations in Title 10 or Title 32 duty status**



PHASE 1B

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- National critical capabilities (strategic and nuclear deterrence forces, homeland defense)
 - Personnel preparing to **deploy to locations outside of the continental U.S. (OCONUS)**
 - Personnel preparing to **deploy within the next three months**, including military civilian and contractors authorized to receive immunization from the DoD
 - New!** Beneficiaries **age 75 or older**
 - New! Front Line Essential Workers:** Education and youth and child services staff sector, eligible defense manufacturing, DoD corrections staff, DoD postal service staff, DoD public transit workers, Commissary and other installation food service or agricultural workers



PHASE 1C

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- New!** Eligible beneficiaries age **65-74 years**
 - New!** Eligible beneficiaries age **16-64 with increased risk for severe illness as defined by the CDC**
 - OSD, Agencies, field activities, Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Space Force, U.S. Coast Guard, and Reserve Component designated as key, essential, or mission-essential
 - DoD Prisoners



Remaining Population



PHASE 2

- Healthy uniform personnel, other TRICARE beneficiaries, and those not otherwise mentioned above

Source: DoD Population Schema
www.defense.gov/portals/1/spotlight/2020/coronavirus/vaccine-availability/SCHEMA.pdf

