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St. Clair County Health Department Update COVID-19 Vaccine Appointments Available in Limited Supply

The St. Clair County Health Department (SCCHD) received notification today that the amount of vaccine being allocated to us is less than anticipated. Therefore, vaccine appointments will be adjusted next week to reflect this lower amount.

Distribution the week of January 18, will be as follows:

- 2/3 of the total available vaccine will be allocated to frontline healthcare workers and essential workers, and
- 1/3 of total available doses will be allocated to those age 65 years of age and older

Healthcare and essential workers will have closed clinics and contacted separately by invitation only.

Scheduling for next week's COVID-19 vaccine appointments is now open for **individuals ages 65 and older**. **Please do not register if you are not in this group.** Appointments are scheduled via the St. Clair County Health Department website www.scchealth.co. By appointment only to avoid long lines and running out of vaccine. No walk-in appointments will be accepted.

Due to limited quantity, appointments will fill up quickly. Last week, all appointments were full in less than 90 minutes for those age 65 and up. First come, first served. Due to extremely high call volume, please ask a family member, friend or neighbor for assistance with online scheduling. Please avoid calling so phone lines can remain open for those with no help available. More options will be available soon for those needing help scheduling appointments.

When appointments are full, information will be updated on our website and social media pages. ***Dependent on vaccine allocation and shipment, future vaccine clinic information will be posted on our website and social media every Friday afternoon.***

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Due to the extraordinarily high numbers of eligible individuals in the current [Phase\(s\)](#), there is no waiting list or queue at this time. We apologize for any inconvenience.

This is a rapidly evolving situation. Further information will be shared when updates are available on the health department website at www.scchealth.co and follow us on social media @scchdmi.

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