

# Office of Developmental Disabilities Services

## COVID-19 Vaccine Phase 1a and Groups

The Governor's office and Oregon Health Authority (OHA) recently released the [Phase 1a Distribution and Sequencing Plan](#) for the COVID-19 vaccine. The Phase 1a group is prioritized for COVID-19 vaccines.

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD), their providers and paid/unpaid caregivers are included in Phase 1a. Within Phase 1a, there are four groups. This fact sheet explains who is included within those groups for the I/DD system. On January 5, 2021, OHA notified Local Public Health Authorities (LPHAs) that vaccines can be offered to those in any of the Phase 1a, Groups 1 – 4. For more information on how the vaccine will be distributed in your county, please follow information provided by your LPHA and your CDDP or Brokerage.

**Group 1** includes hospital workers and certain skilled nursing and memory care facilities.

**Group 2** includes:

- People with I/DD who are at least 16 years old and who live in a 24-hour group home or foster care home.
- Providers or caregivers for the people living in 24-hour group homes or foster care homes

**Group 3** includes:

- People with I/DD who are at least 16 years old and receive services in their own home or in their family home that requires outside support workers to deliver services in their home.
- Providers, support staff and Personal Support Workers (PSWs) who deliver care in a person's own home or in a Supported Living setting.
- Household members, including paid or unpaid caregivers, of children or adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities receiving ODDS services.

**Group 4** includes:

- ODDS providers of employment and Day Support Activity services
- Behavior Support Professionals
- Other health care professionals/direct care personnel not included above who provide direct service to people with I/DD and other high-risk populations.