

Making a Vaccine Appointment

Hillsborough County, in partnership with the Florida Department of Health in Hillsborough County, will begin a second round of COVID-19 vaccinations this week for *residents age 65 and older*.

Appointments are mandatory.

When to make an appointment

1. **Starting Monday, January 11** you can create an account before your timeframe scheduled for your age group. This will make the process quicker and easier when you return during your timeframe to schedule an appointment.
2. **Starting Tuesday, Jan. 12, 2021**, you can make an appointment during the designated timeframe specific to your age group.
 - Residents age 85 and older can book an appointment between 8 AM and 10 AM
 - Residents age 75 to 84 can book an appointment between 11 AM and 1 PM
 - Residents age 65 to 74 can book an appointment between 2 PM and 4 PM
 - After 5 PM, any resident age 65 and older can book remaining open slots until appointments are full

NOTE: Registration methods will not allow appointment scheduling outside each age group's designated appointment time window.

How to Make an Appointment

- There are two ways to book your appointment during the timeframe for your age group: online or by phone
- You can make an appointment for the vaccination site most convenient to you
- You can book your appointment for the required second dose when making your initial appointment

Schedule an Appointment Online

Appointments can be made starting Tuesday, Jan. 12 by age group

We encourage you to book your vaccine appointment online at patientportalfl.com.

To save time, you can create an account before your timeframe scheduled for your age group. This will make the process quicker and easier when you return during your timeframe to schedule an appointment.

IMPORTANT: Write down and save login information for use when you return to schedule your appointment.

CREATE ACCOUNT

Schedule an Appointment by Phone

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If you don't have Internet access, call the vaccine call center at [\(850\) 848-5287](tel:8508485287).

You can call before your timeframe to set up your account to make it easier when you call back during your designated timeframe.

- The call center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and can provide guidance in English and Spanish
- This phone number is for account creation and scheduling appointments only. If you need medical guidance, you will be instructed to hang up and contact your health care provider.

Current Vaccination Sites (age 65 and older)

Locations	Address	Special Directions
Strawberry Festival Fairgrounds	2700 W. Risk St., Plant City, FL 33563	Access only off W. Reynolds Street
Ed Radice Sports Complex	14720 Ed Radice Drive, Tampa, FL 33626	
Vance Vogel Sports Complex	13012 Bullfrog Creek Road, Gibsonton, FL 33534	

What You Need to Know

Who can get the vaccine?

Currently, Hillsborough County is distributing the vaccine to residents age 65 and older.

Is there a cost to be vaccinated?

There is no cost to be vaccinated at one of the County's public vaccination sites. Insurance is not required.

Are appointments required?

Yes, appointments are mandatory. *There will be no vaccines for residents without appointments, and there is no waiting list.*

Helpful FAQs

If I work in health care or am considered an essential employee, but I am not age 65 or older, can I still be vaccinated at one of these sites?

At this time, the public vaccination sites are only for people who are age 65 and older.

Why aren't there more appointments available?

Quantities of the vaccine are limited, and demand is overwhelming. Please be assured that the County is making every effort to vaccinate residents as quickly as possible based on the quantities of vaccine that are provided by the state of Florida. As availability of the vaccine grows and demand evens out, it will be easier to ensure everyone who qualifies receives an appointment. Meanwhile, the County is striving to make the process work smoothly.

When will more appointments become available?

Hillsborough County expects to receive new supplies of vaccines from the state weekly. Vaccination appointments will be made available based on supply.

How many doses of the vaccine are required?

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the two authorized and recommended vaccines to prevent COVID-19 in the United States both need two doses to be effective.

What vaccine will be available at the public dispensing sites?

The type of vaccine depends on supplies provided by the state. Ask the health care worker who is administering the injection what type is being dispensed that day for first-time recipients.