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**COVID-19 vaccine opportunities are available for seniors who are homebound**  
*Wood County agencies working together to make sure all have access to vaccines*

BOWLING GREEN – Wood County Health Department and Wood County Committee on Aging are partnering to ensure that seniors who are homebound have opportunities to be vaccinated for COVID-19.

Being homebound means that a person does not leave his or her home under normal circumstances or without assistance from others. Anyone who feels they meet this definition is encouraged to contact the Wood County Committee on Aging at 1-800-367-4935 to make arrangements to be vaccinated at home.

Anyone who is not part of this group can schedule appointments normally with local providers. Local vaccine allotments have increased recently, and as more people continue to be vaccinated, appointments are easier to schedule than they were at the beginning of Phase 1B.

Vaccine appointments with several local providers become available for scheduling each week on Friday at noon. This includes appointments with Wood County Health Department, Wood County Hospital, and Mercy Health – Perrysburg Hospital.

The providers that have vaccine available may change week to week. Some national providers, like pharmacies, may have rolling appointments that become available on a different schedule.

For the most recent information on vaccine opportunities, go to [www.WoodCountyHealth.org](http://www.WoodCountyHealth.org) or call Wood County Health Department's information line at 419-823-9528 to hear a recorded message with updated information.

People who are currently eligible to be vaccinated include those who are age 65 or older, and younger people who have a limited number of specific, early childhood health conditions that are carried into adulthood which put them at a higher risk for adverse outcomes due to COVID-19. A full list of conditions can be found at [Vaccine.WoodCountyHealth.org](http://Vaccine.WoodCountyHealth.org)

The state of Ohio has not yet released information on when additional groups may become eligible to be vaccinated for COVID-19. When additional information becomes available, it will be shared widely with the public.

The mission of Wood County Health Department is to prevent disease, promote healthy lifestyles and protect the health of everyone in Wood County. Our Community Health Center provides comprehensive medical services for men, women and children. We welcome all patients, including uninsured or underinsured clients, regardless of their ability to pay, and we accept most third-party insurance. For more information, visit [www.WoodCountyHealth.org](http://www.WoodCountyHealth.org).

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