



## **NewsBits**

### **Vaccine Update**

Vaccine efforts are continuing for individuals with developmental disabilities. Phase 1A includes individuals who live in group situations and their direct service professionals. Phase 1B includes those who have developmental disabilities and do not live in group situations **AND** have underlying conditions that make them particularly vulnerable. Phase 1B individuals will begin getting vaccinations, **by advance appointment only**, from the Franklin County Public Health Department and Nationwide Children's Hospital throughout the next several weeks. Individuals or families will be called to schedule appointments. Vaccinations and appointments may be limited, so patience is requested.

School personnel and older adults will also begin getting the vaccines in the coming weeks. Others with developmental disabilities will be scheduled later as more vaccine doses become available. Special thanks to Governor DeWine and Director Jeff Davis for prioritizing these individuals, recognizing that the vaccine supply is limited.

Individual questions should be directed to the appropriate Service Coordinator. The public also can check the state's COVID-19 dashboard at [coronavirus.ohio.gov](https://coronavirus.ohio.gov) for details about vaccine groups, including the list of underlying conditions for eligibility during Phase 1B.