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## Yolo County to Vaccinate Seniors 75 and Older in February

(Woodland, CA) – In a continued effort to effectively and efficiently vaccinate residents, Yolo County will begin vaccinating seniors 75 years and older in February.

In early January the State of California prioritized residents 65 and older in Phase 1B. In Yolo County, there are more than 28,000 residents over the age of 65 and more than 11,000 residents over the age of 75. Due to limited weekly doses, the County has decided to prioritize seniors 75 and older who are at greatest risk for serious complications or death from COVID-19. A vaccine given to someone 75 years or older in Yolo County is three times more likely to save a life than a vaccine given to someone between the ages of 65-74. The County will first focus on those 75 and older in the most underserved communities based on the State's [Healthy Places Index \(HPI\)](#) that tracks socio-economic vulnerability.

“We are receiving doses in very limited quantities. These doses need to be directed where they can save the most lives,” said Yolo County’s Public Health Officer Dr. Aimee Sisson. “The data in Yolo County show that residents 75 years and older are most likely to die from COVID-19.”

Multi-County Entities, such as Sutter Health, UC Davis Health, Dignity Health and Kaiser Permanente, are also administering the COVID-19 vaccine. If residents receive health care through one of these entities, the County recommends contacting them first for vaccine options. However, their supplies are also limited so it will take time to offer everyone eligible an appointment.

If residents do not have health insurance or receive care from a community clinic, such as CommuniCare, Elica Health or Winters Healthcare, the County recommends they fill out the local vaccine interest form at: <http://bit.ly/VaccineAvailability>. Residents will be notified through the interest form of any changes that may occur in the vaccine process, including the State’s recently launched My Turn app. If residents cannot access or need assistance filling out the form or are homebound and need an in-home vaccine, call 2-1-1 or toll free at (855) 866-1783 for assistance.

For more information about Yolo County’s COVID-19 vaccine and distribution process, visit <https://www.yolocounty.org/coronavirus-vaccine>. Residents can also call Yolo 2-1-1 for resource information. For additional updates follow Yolo County on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/YoloCounty/> or Twitter at: <https://twitter.com/YoloCountyCA>.

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