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Group 1b Now Eligible for COVID-19 Vaccine

Earlier today, Governor Cuomo's office announced that individuals within priority group 1b are now eligible to sign up to receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Group 1b includes individuals 75 and older, first responders, public safety officers, teachers and other school staff; in-person college instructors, childcare workers, public-facing grocery store workers, transit workers and individuals living and working in homeless shelters. This new list of eligibility categories is added to those categories previously eligible under Group 1a priority.

Individuals may visit the following link for information on eligibility and how to make appointments: <https://am-i-eligible.covid19vaccine.health.ny.gov/>. In addition, the New York State Vaccination Hotline will be available starting at 4:00 pm on Monday, January 11 -- 1-833-NYS-4VAX (1-833-697-4829).

Please [click here](#) for a link to today's press release regarding Group 1b eligibility. As the press release explains, as the federal distribution of approximately 300,000 doses per week to New York State is far less than the population of individuals currently eligible for the vaccine, appointment dates may be as far as 14 weeks in the future.

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