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## **DOH-PASCO BEGINS APPOINTMENT-ONLY COVID-19 VACCINATIONS FOR 65+ COMMUNITY**



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**PASCO COUNTY, FL – The Florida Department of Health in Pasco County (DOH-Pasco)** has received 3,500 doses of COVID-19 vaccine this week. We are coordinating with Pasco County Emergency Management to distribute the vaccine to those 65 and older.

A drive-through vaccination clinic has been set up at Gulf View Square Mall, located at 9409 U.S. Hwy. 19 in Port Richey. Please note, vaccinations are by REGISTRATION ONLY, and you MUST register ahead of time by visiting our [Vaccine Distribution](https://www.flhealth.gov/vaccine-distribution) website: [bit.ly/PascoVaccine](https://bit.ly/PascoVaccine).

Beginning today additional slots will be available for Saturday (1/2/21) and Sunday (1/3/21) on our [Vaccine Distribution](https://www.flhealth.gov/vaccine-distribution) website. Appointments fill up quickly so if you are not able to register for those dates we will continually update the website as more appointment days/times are added.

We plan to open additional vaccination sites in the coming weeks as we receive more doses. Due to the limited amount of vaccine we have available, registration will be required for those sites, as well. All updates will be posted on our [Vaccine Distribution](https://www.flhealth.gov/vaccine-distribution) website.

Additionally, DOH-Pasco is working directly with the leaders of 55+ communities throughout Pasco County to bring the vaccine to those residents over 65 who choose to be vaccinated. We are planning ahead for when additional supplies become available and are creating a calendar to schedule future vaccinations.

Residents of long-term care and nursing facilities are being vaccinated through a state agreement with local pharmacies.

We are encouraged that so many people in Pasco County are seeking out the vaccine, and we ask for your patience as we work through the process of vaccinating more than 130,000 of our 65 and older community.