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COVID-19 Vaccine Availability

Governor Barker announced today that, beginning tomorrow Thursday, February 18th, eligibility to receive COVID-19 vaccine will be expanded to include: individuals 65+, individuals with two or more specific medical conditions (see list here: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/covid-19-vaccinations-for-individuals-with-certain-medical-conditions>), and residents and staff of public and private low income and affordable senior housing. However, vaccine supply continues to be severely constrained.

Lack of vaccine continues to hamper efforts to activate large-scale vaccination sites on Cape for eligible populations. Barnstable County continues working with State and municipalities on setting up multiple regional vaccination sites.

Information, and checking for available appointments, is available online at [COVID-19 Vaccine Availability | Mass.gov](#). The states call center can be reached at 2-1-1 for assistance booking an appointment over the phone. New appointments are generally posted on Thursdays.

We will continue to send out information and provide residents with key information for the vaccination process as soon as it becomes available. Information will be posted to the Town's website ([COVID-19 \(Coronavirus\) Information | Chatham MA \(chatham-ma.gov\)](#)) and Channel 18 on an ongoing basis.

If you have specific questions, we suggest calling the Barnstable County Helpline at **(774) 330-3001**. We urge everyone to monitor the Town's website ([Chatham MA | \(chatham-ma.gov\)](#)), Channel 18, and local media for the latest information on COVID-19 vaccine availability.

Town officials continue strongly urging everyone to take seriously guidance on social distancing, limiting exposure to others, frequent handwashing or use of hand sanitizer, proper respiratory etiquette, and the Governor's Order for wearing of a face-covering to limit spread of the virus.