Gaining information on where, when and how to obtain the COVID-19 vaccine can be confusing and frustrating. This document provides Frequently Asked Questions and assists with finding answers currently available at the national, state and local level.

Vaccine Information for Dentists

Have dentists been prioritized to receive the vaccine?

Nationally:

Current CDC guidance indicates that once a COVID-19 vaccine has EUA during the initial phase of the COVID-19 vaccination program the vaccine should be offered to both health care personnel with potential for direct or indirect exposure to patients or infectious materials; and residents of long-term care facilities. Health care workers (including dentists, dental hygienists, and dental assistants) are included in Phase 1a.

State:

In Maine, dentists and dental team members have been prioritized in Phase 1a and are now currently eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

Are all dentists eligible to receive the vaccine now?

The Maine Dental Association advocated for dentists to be prioritized within the first phase of vaccinations. Health care workers were among the priority populations identified in Phase 1a.

Is my dental team eligible to receive the vaccine now?

Yes.

Since the vaccine is distributed locally, where can I find information as to when, how and where I can get the COVID-19 vaccine?

The Maine Dental Association is working collaboratively with the Maine Department of Health and Human Services and the Maine Center for Disease Control and Prevention to match up dental professionals with vaccination sites in their local area. Please contact the MDA at 207-622-7900 for more information. You can also check the COVID-19 Vaccination in Maine website.

What do I need to bring with me to receive the vaccine?

Please use the below checklist to ensure you have what you need to receive the vaccine:

☐ Your insurance card - there is a fee for the vaccine administration, which varies by site.
☐ Your paycheck stub - you may be required to show proof of employment in a dental setting.
☐ Your calendar to schedule your second dose appointment.