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With the State of Wisconsin’s announcement Tuesday that all adults 65 and over will be eligible to begin receiving the COVID-19 vaccine next week, the Kenosha County Division of Health looks forward to announcing more information about the local distribution of the vaccine as soon as it is available, Health Officer Dr. Jen Freiheit said.

Freiheit said this will include the organization of vaccination clinics, the details of which are currently being established.

While eligibility is being extended to the 65-plus population, the speed with which this group and others will be vaccinated will depend upon the available supply of the vaccine, Freiheit noted.

“Kenosha County is actively planning for this process, although it is important to note that these plans are contingent upon the availability of the COVID-19 vaccines,” Freiheit said. “In the meantime, we urge those frontline health care workers who are part of Group 1a to try to connect with a provider and get vaccinated as soon as possible, as supplies allow.”

Those who are in Group 1a (listed below) and live and/or work in Kenosha County may receive provider information by filling out an online signup form available on the Kenosha County COVID-19 Information Hub website, at http://bit.ly/KCCOVIDHub. Those who sign up will receive information via email once vaccine is available to them.

Group 1a includes:

- Healthcare personnel, including:
  - Anesthesia related team members
  - Behavior health providers, including psychologists, therapists, counselors
  - Certified nursing assistant, nursing assistant, nurse aide, medical assistant
  - Chiropractors
  - Clinical ethicists
  - Dental services, including dentist, dental hygienist, dental assistants
  - Direct care personnel, for example, people who provide direct care to patients, including in their homes (for example, personal care assistant, home health worker)
  - Emergency medical responders (EMR), including emergency medical technician/paramedic including all levels of EMRs
  - Environmental services, food & nutrition, buildings & grounds in patient care setting
Together, we can and will slow the spread of the Covid-19 virus.

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