

# Vaccine Distribution in Priority Population Order

As defined by the Province of B.C.



## PHASE 1: December and February

- Staff and physicians in long-term care and assisted-living residences
- Residents and their essential visitors in long-term care and assisted living residences
- Individuals awaiting a long-term care or assisted living placement
- Remote and isolated Indigenous communities and Indigenous communities experiencing a cluster or outbreak
- Staff and physicians working in hospital where care is provided to COVID-19 patients (i.e. ICU, ED, medical/surgical and cohort units)
- Paramedics

**Total in Island Health: Between 27,000 and 33,000 - depending on vaccine uptake**

## PHASE 2: February to March

- Seniors - community-based, age 80 and above
- Indigenous seniors age 65 and above, and Indigenous elders
- People experiencing homelessness and/or using shelters
- Provincial correctional facilities
- Adults in group homes or mental health residential care
- Long-term home support recipients and staff
- Hospital staff, community GPs and medical specialists
- Remaining health care staff
- Indigenous communities not vaccinated in first priority group

**Total in Island Health: Between 88,000 and 108,000 - depending on vaccine uptake**

## PHASE 3: General Population

- Vaccination of the wider population will begin once all priority groups are immunized and vaccine supplies are available

### NOTES

- *After initial priority groups are vaccinated in phases 1/2, additional groups may be prioritized for vaccination.*
- *The scheduling of priority groups for vaccination may be modified as transmission is monitored.*