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## District Residents 75 and Older Can Register for COVID-19 Vaccine

Today, the State of Connecticut opened COVID-19 vaccine eligibility to individuals aged 75 and older. Ledge Light Health District is committed to assuring that all individuals have access to vaccinations as they become eligible, and as vaccine is available. Individuals aged 75 and older who wish to be vaccinated can register for a vaccination through a number of channels:

- Online at <u>https://llhd.org/</u>
- Online at <a href="https://ct.gov/covidvaccine">https://ct.gov/covidvaccine</a>
- By phone at 877-918-2224

In addition to these methods, some individuals may be contacted by their healthcare provider to schedule a vaccination, if their provider is participating in the vaccination program.

All vaccinations are offered by appointment; people must first register through one of the systems listed above to secure an appointment. Vaccine supply remains limited and patience is requested.

Although the availability of vaccine will help reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with COVID-19 long term, it is only one of the tools that we have in our toolbox to fight this pandemic; it is an imperative that everyone remain diligent and continue to practice social distancing and appropriate mask protocols.

While Ledge Light Health District is one of the vaccination providers, they do not make decisions about who is eligible for vaccinations. Our staff are monitoring information regarding vaccine eligibility as it is released by the State of Connecticut. The State has indicated that certain frontline essential workers as well as individuals between the ages of 65 and 74 and those individuals ages 16 to 64 who have underlying health conditions that put them at greater risk will become eligible in the coming weeks. The public is invited to visit the Health District's website, www.llhd.org and social media pages frequently for up-to-date information.