

The town of Dighton Commission on Disability is pleased to announce that we are now able to help many of our most vulnerable residents who are unable to schedule their own appointments for the COVID 19 vaccine. In addition to scheduling the vaccine appointment and/or signing up for the state's new vaccination preregistration list, we may be able, via the special MassHealth COVID vaccination transportation line, to schedule transportation to and from the appointments.

For more information, and to see if you or a family member are eligible to receive assistance with scheduling a vaccination appointment, signing up for the new vaccination preregistration list and/or transportation, please see the qualifications below.

This assistance is only available to Dighton residents who do not have a computer, and or due to their age, and or disability are un-able to independently schedule their own vaccination appointments and or transportation.

Please note this assistance is only available for Dighton residents who are at least 65 years old, or who have a disability, or who have at least 2 of the comorbidities that are qualifiers as of the date the appointment is booked.

If you, or a resident you are assisting, is a shut-in, or not able for any reason to leave their home, we still want to hear from you so that we can help to get you a vaccination as soon as we have guidelines, and direction from the state on how to set up and arrange for those individuals to get vaccinated.

If you, or the resident have contacted any of our town departments for help scheduling an appointment such as the Council on Aging, the Bord of Health, the Veterans agent, or any other town office, and you have not yet been able to get your vaccination scheduled, then we might be able to help.

Please understand, that all appointments are subject to change, and that we cannot tell you in advance where your appointment will be until it has been booked. While our volunteers will do their best to book you at the time(s) you or your representative request, this will only work for the resident if she and or he can be flexible. In addition, if transportation is requested and arranged, the resident must be available and ready to go once the transportation has arrived to pick them up. If the resident requesting the appointment and or transportation needs to change or cancel the appointment, and they do not let us know at least 12 hours before the appointment, then we will not be able to assist the resident with re-scheduling their appointment and or transportation.

When you or another person contacts us at the number or email provided below, you or the resident you are assisting will be contacted via phone by one of our volunteers who will gather the required information, and then do their best to assist you or the person you are helping with scheduling their vaccination appointments.

As the vaccination locations often fill up quickly, and scheduling is also dependent on the availability of a vaccine, it could possibly take our volunteer schedulers more than one or two days to schedule the resident for his and or her appointment. Please be assured, that our volunteers will be doing their best to schedule vaccination appointments as quickly as we are able.

If you are interested in learning more, and or need help booking a vaccine appointment, please contact Jonathan Gale the Dighton ADA coordinator at (774)872-0924, or by email at: ada@dighton-ma.gov.