Access & Equity
COVID-19 Vaccine Strategy

The Houston Health Department consistently prioritizes Access & Equity in its COVID-19 response. The department’s nationally-recognized strategy puts vital resources directly in communities where people are more likely to die if they get COVID-19, ultimately saving lives.

The department uses CDC’s COVID Community Vulnerability Index (CCVI) to identify Tier I and Tier II priority zip codes.

Components of COVID-19 Community Vulnerability Index (CCVI)

Underlying vulnerability
Static, pre-existing indicators of community vulnerability to COVID-19 and its secondary impacts

Epidemiological trends
Tracking the movement and growth of the virus and its impacts (hospitalizations, deaths) over time as it expands through the country.

Our response & capabilities
Dynamic data on the scale and scope of our response: mobility of the public, mask ordinances and policies; test site deployment; contact tracing capacity.

Join the Houston Health Department’s COVID-19 vaccine wait list at HoustonEmergency.org/covid19. Registration via phone is available to people age 60 and older at 832-393-4301. People with disabilities may call 832-393-5500 for registration assistance. The COVID-19 call center can be reached at 832-393-4220 for additional assistance.