

# Eligible Medical Conditions and Disabilities

People ages 16-64 are eligible, if they are *deemed to be at the very highest risk* to get very sick from COVID-19.

EITHER because they have one or more of the following severe health conditions. Those with the following conditions are at increased risk to get very sick from COVID-19:

- **Cancer**, current with weakened immune system
- **Chronic kidney disease**, stage 4 or above
- **Chronic pulmonary disease**, oxygen dependent
- **Down syndrome**
- **Solid organ transplant**, leading to a weakened immune system
- **Pregnancy**
- **Sickle cell disease**
- **Heart conditions**, such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies (but not hypertension)
- **Severe obesity** (Body Mass Index  $\geq 40$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>)
- **Type 2 diabetes mellitus** with hemoglobin A1c level greater than 7.5%

OR if, as a result of a developmental or other significant, high-risk disability, one or more of the following criteria applies:

- A COVID-19 infection is likely to result in severe life-threatening illness or death; OR
- Acquiring COVID-19 will limit the individual's ability to receive ongoing care or services vital to their well-being and survival; OR
- Providing adequate and timely COVID care will be particularly challenging as a result of the individual's disability.

These three criteria include people with a range of physical and behavioral disabilities. Examples include: all enrolled consumers of Regional Centers, Independent Living Centers, In Home Supportive Services, Community Based Adult Services/Adult Day Health Centers, Medi-Cal HIV/AIDS Waiver, Medi-Cal Home and Community-Based Alternatives Waiver, Medi-Cal Assisted Living Waiver, Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly, California Children's Services Program (if the child is 16-21 years old), and California Genetically Handicapped Persons Program.

## Additional Eligible Medical Conditions

Based on what we know at this time, those with the following conditions might be at increased risk to get very sick from COVID-19; therefore they will also be eligible for COVID-19 vaccine:

- **Asthma** (moderate-to-severe)
- **Cerebrovascular disease** (affects blood vessels and blood supply to the brain)
- **Cystic fibrosis**
- **Hypertension** or high blood pressure
- **Immunocompromised state** (weakened immune system) from blood or bone marrow transplant, immune deficiencies, HIV, use of corticosteroids, or use of other immune weakening medicines
- **Neurologic conditions**, such as dementia
- **Liver disease**
- **Overweight** (BMI  $> 25$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>, but  $< 30$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>)
- **Obese** (BMI  $> 30$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>, but  $< 40$  kg/m<sup>2</sup>)
- **Pulmonary fibrosis** (having damaged or scarred lung tissues)
- **Thalassemia** (a type of blood disorder)
- **Type 1 diabetes mellitus**

For more information on COVID-19 vaccines, please visit:

**[coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine](https://coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine)**

