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White River Junction VA Healthcare System begin COVID-19 vaccination for Veterans

White River Junction, VT —White River Junction VA Healthcare System began COVID-19 vaccination with the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine Dec. 21, 2020, following the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's Emergency Use Authorization for this vaccine.

As the roll out of the vaccine at White River Junction VA continues, the teams deploying it are reviewing the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidance on risk stratification. Since Dec. 21, the facility has made tremendous progress in administering vaccines to healthcare personnel as part of the initial phase of COVID-19 vaccine delivery. Today marks White River Junction VA's transition to the next phase, beginning to offer the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine to Veterans who are at the greatest risk for infection and severe illness based on the CDC's guidelines.

As more vaccine supplies become available, we will initiate contact to eligible Veterans for scheduling. There is no need to preregister or come to a facility to sign up.

Veterans can help by keeping informed and letting their VA know if they have an interest in taking the vaccine when it becomes available by signing up at the VA's Stay Informed page: <https://www.va.gov/health-care/covid-19-vaccine/stay-informed>.

VA's goal is to offer the vaccine to all Veterans and employees who choose to be vaccinated.

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