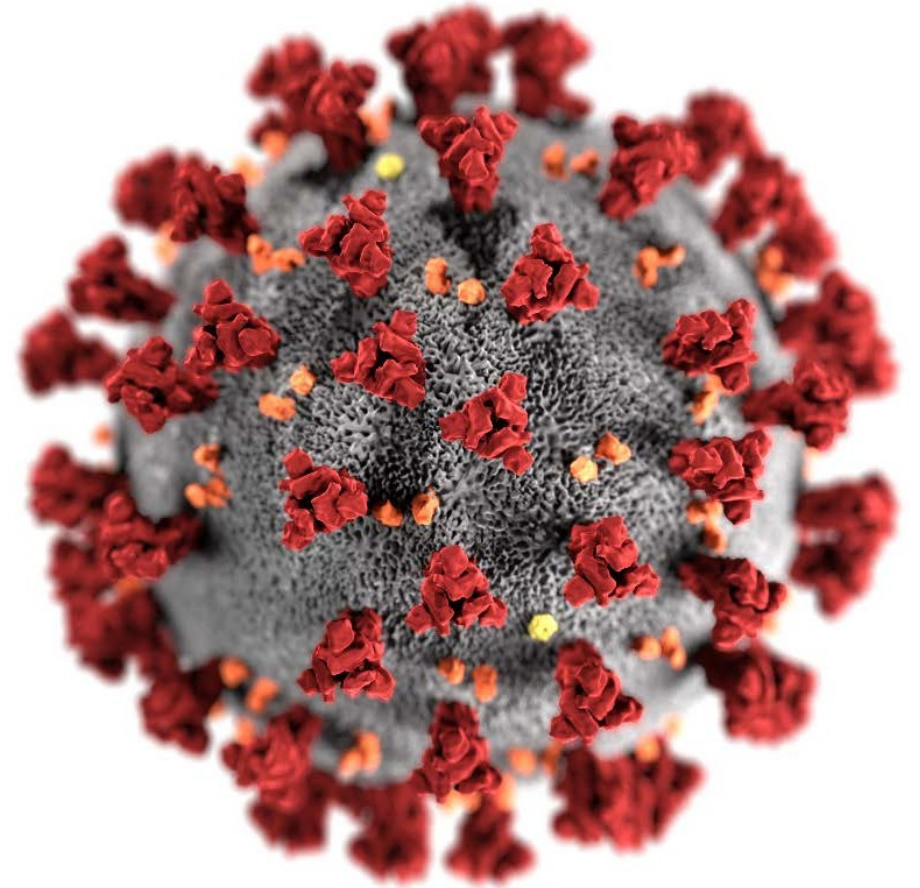
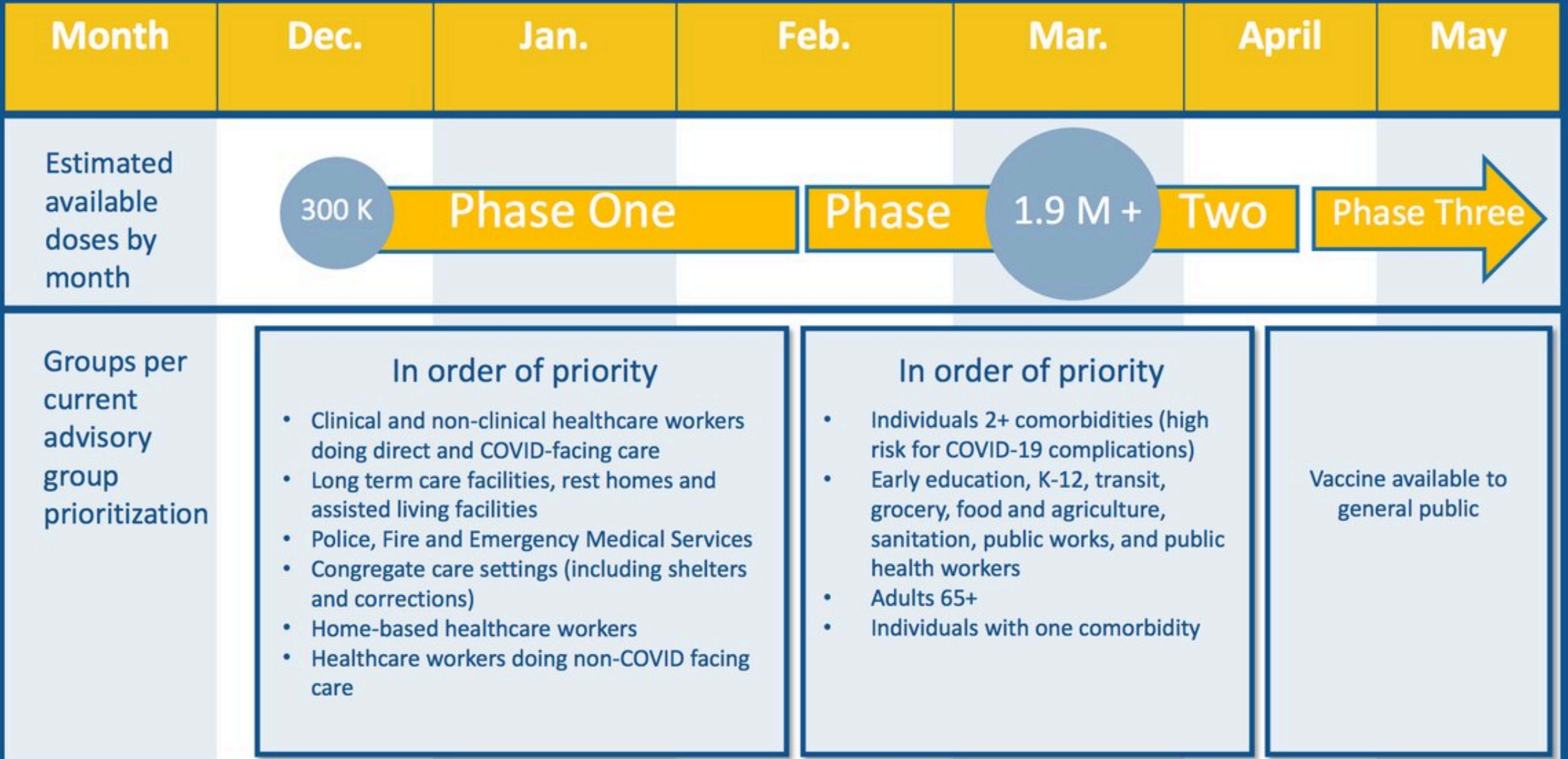


Phased Allocation of COVID-19 Vaccines

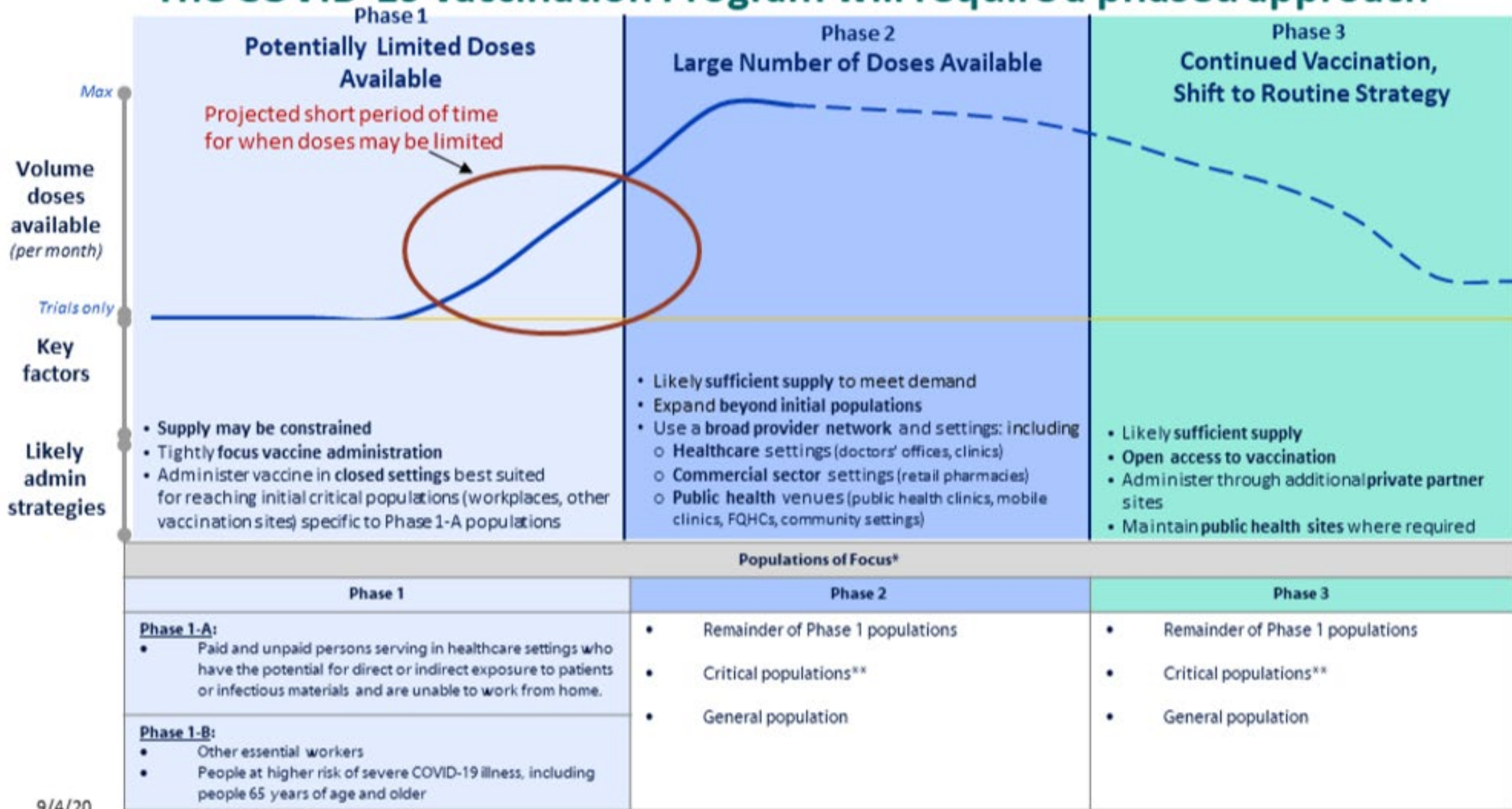
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December 1st, 2020



Estimated COVID-19 Vaccine Timeline



The COVID-19 Vaccination Program will require a phased approach



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Proposed groups for Phase 1a vaccination

Health care Personnel^{1,2} (HCP) (~21million)	Long-Term Care Facility (LTCF) Residents ³ (~3M)
Examples	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hospitals• Long-term care facilities• Outpatient clinics• Home health care• Pharmacies• Emergency medical services• Public health	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Skilled nursing facilities (~1.3 M beds)• Assisted living facilities (~0.8 M beds)• Other residential care (~0.9 M beds)

1. <https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/guidelines/healthcare>

2. <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>

3. <https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/index.html>

Additional Work Group considerations for Phase 1a

- This represents interim guidance for Phase 1a– allocation policy will need to be dynamic and adapt as new information such as vaccine performance and supply and demand become clear
- Gating criteria will be necessary to move expeditiously from one Phase to the next, as demand saturates
- Following vaccination, measures to stop the possible spread of SARS-CoV-2, such as masks and social distancing, will still be needed
- The U.S. government is committed to making COVID-19 vaccines available to all residents who want them, as soon as possible

Understanding the Pharmacy Partnership for Long-Term Care Program

- The Pharmacy Partnership for Long-term Care (LTC) Program will facilitate safe vaccination of this critical patient population
- The program provides end-to-end management of the COVID-19 vaccination process, including cold chain management, on-site vaccinations, and fulfillment of reporting requirements at no cost
- This program is being implemented in close coordination with jurisdictions; LTCFs; federal partners, including the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS); and professional organizations, including American Health Care Association (AHCA) and Leading Age, which include members across both nursing homes and assisted living facilities.

Participating Pharmacies

CVS, Walgreens, and select pharmacies that are part of the MHA network will provide critical vaccination services to LTCFs. Participating MHA pharmacies include:

- Absolute Pharmacy (in Ohio)
- Community Pharmacy (in Iowa and Nebraska)
- Consonus Pharmacy (in Oregon and Nevada)
- HealthDirect/Kinney Drugs (in New York and Vermont)
- Pharmscript (in Indiana, Illinois, New York, Ohio, and Texas)
- Senior Care Pharmacy (in Alabama)
- Thrifty Drug Stores (in Minnesota and North Dakota)

Program Planning and Implementation

- The enrollment form opened on **October 19, 2020** and closed **November 6, 2020**
- LTCFs had the opportunity to sign up for the program and select a pharmacy partner
- CDC worked with jurisdictions to match facilities with their requested pharmacy partner
- Pharmacy partners have reached out to participating LTCFs they were matched with to coordinate vaccination efforts

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