

- **Inclusion criteria** (CMS definition)^{1,2}
 - The individual needs the help of another person or medical equipment such as a wheelchair to leave their home OR their doctor believes that their health or illness could get worse if they leave their home
 - AND it is difficult for the individual to leave their home
 - AND the individual typically cannot leave their home
- **Exclusion criteria:**
 - Individuals who are able to get to a community vaccination site to receive the vaccine.
 - Individuals who already received at least 1 dose of a 2-dose vaccine or 1 dose of a single dose vaccine.
 - Individuals who might be at increased risk for anaphylaxis following vaccination (i.e., people with a [precaution](#) to vaccination or those with a history of anaphylaxis due to any case) should consider whether they could be vaccinated in a setting where medical care is immediately available should they experience serious adverse reactions following vaccination.³
 - On a case by case basis, exceptions can be made for individuals for whom in-home vaccination is the only option and, through [risk assessment](#), it is determined that the benefits of vaccination outweigh the potential risk for anaphylaxis. In this case, homebound vaccination providers should ensure they are able to manage anaphylaxis including appropriate screening; post-vaccination observation; medications and supplies; staff qualifications for recognition and treatment of anaphylaxis; ability to call for EMS; and location in an area where EMS is available.³
- **Priority groups**
 - Individuals who need any of the following durable medical equipment on a daily basis:
 - Hospital bed
 - Oxygen tank
 - Ventilator
 - Individuals who are unable to care for self, functionally dependent on others for activities of daily living (feeding, bathing, dressing/grooming, toileting, transferring), and otherwise requires equivalent of institutional or nursing home level of care.
 - Individuals who are confined to bed or chair more than 50% of waking hours due to a medical, cognitive, and/or psychiatric condition (e.g., dementia).

References:

1. CDC Vaccinating Homebound Persons With COVID-19 Vaccine: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/homebound-persons.html>
2. Medicare homebound requirement: <https://www.medicareinteractive.org/get-answers/medicare-covered-services/home-health-services/the-homebound-requirement>
3. Interim Considerations: Preparing for the Potential Management of Anaphylaxis after COVID-19 Vaccination: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/managing-anaphylaxis.html#management>