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Covid-19 Vaccinations in Kentucky: What Class Am I

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As the Covid-19 vaccination process begins to roll out in Kentucky, many employers are wondering when their employees will be eligible to receive vaccinations. While we expect the transition between the classes of individuals established by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to be relatively slow we do believe that dealer employees can, at a minimum, be deemed Group 1(c) essential workers because of their role in the transportation industry.

At present, the classifications in Kentucky are as follows:

Group 1(a)	Long term care facilities Assisted living facilities Healthcare personnel
Group 1(b)	First Responders Anyone over age 70 K-12 school personnel
Group 1(c)	Anyone 60 or older Those 16 and older with CDC highest risk complications Essential Workers
Group 2	Anyone Age 40 or over
Group 3	Anyone 16 or over
Group 4	Anyone under 16 if the vaccine is approved for this age group

The Commonwealth specifically includes individuals employed in transportation and logistics to be essential workers. When essential business status first became an issue in Spring 2020, auto sales was deemed an essential business and its employees essential workers by the Department of Homeland Security's Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency ("CISA"), which deemed them necessary for

the facilitation of transportation un the United States (<https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>). Kentucky has previously relied upon the CISA list in establishing what sectors are essential and exempting them from closure orders. As such, we believe that auto dealers and their employees fall within the Group (c) with respect to vaccination eligibility.

Although it varies from county to county, most counties are currently delivering vaccinations to Group 1(a) and beginning to schedule vaccinations from Group 1(b). Group 1(c) is not expected to receive the vaccine until Spring 2021 at the earliest. We do, however, encourage you to be in touch with your local health department, because some departments have delivered vaccinations “out of order” in order to make sure no doses go to waste. At a minimum, it is critical that you remain aware of the progress your local health department is making with respect to administering the vaccine so that you and your staff can receive the vaccine at the earliest possible date.

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