Underlying Medical Conditions

People who have any of these medical conditions are more likely to be hospitalized if they get COVID-19. COVID-19 vaccine supply to Rhode Island is still limited, so this is only the first group of people who will be prioritized for vaccination. This list does not replace CDC’s inclusive list of underlying medical conditions that increase the risk of severe illness from COVID-19. As we get more vaccine, more medical conditions will be added to the list.

Diabetes
- Type 1
- Type 2

Lung disease
- COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease)
- Emphysema
- Cystic Fibrosis
- People with significant decreased lung function
- People with ALS (Lou Gehrig’s disease)

Heart disease
- Congestive heart failure
- Coronary artery disease
- People with enlarged hearts (cardiomyopathies)
- People with other significant heart conditions
- People with Down Syndrome

Kidney disease
- People on dialysis
- Significant chronic kidney disease

Weakened immune system
- Cancer
- People who get chemotherapy or radiation
- People who have had a transplant or are waiting for a transplant
- HIV/AIDS
- Sickle cell disease
- People who have a disease that weakens the immune system
- People who take medicine that weakens the immune system
- Pregnancy