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## UNPAID CAREGIVER FOR AN ELDERLY INDIVIDUAL OR PERSON WITH A DISABILITY

The bearer of this document is an individual providing services as an unpaid caregiver for an elderly person or a person with a disability in a Pennsylvania Department of Human Services (DHS) program.

On January 19, 2021, Pennsylvania's COVID-19 Interim Vaccination Plan V. 5 included an updated definition of "health care personnel." The updated definition of health care personnel includes individuals providing services for the elderly and persons with disabilities, including unpaid caregivers. Health care personnel are included in the Phase 1A group to receive a vaccination.

## It is essential that this unpaid caregiver be considered eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine in Phase 1A.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Secretary