



Allegheny County Department of Human Services Helpful Resources

High Vulnerability Safe Haven Hotel Prioritization

Effective immediately, Allegheny County Department of Human Services (DHS) has implemented prioritization of highly vulnerable individuals referred to the Safe Haven. This policy will allow DHS to ensure that we have adequate capacity to serve those with the highest need isolation and quarantine. If you have any questions related to this policy or the Safe Haven referral process, please contact:

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High Vulnerability Prioritization

Tier 1 – Ages 65 and up, AND with any of the following conditions:

- Cancer
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- COPD, Cystic fibrosis, pulmonary fibrosis, and other chronic lung diseases
- Immunocompromised state from solid organ transplant
- Liver disease (including Hepatitis C)
- Serious Heart conditions: Coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies, heart failure
- Sickle cell disease

Tier 2 – Ages 60 and up, AND with any of the following conditions:

- Cancer
- Chronic Kidney Disease
- COPD, Cystic fibrosis, pulmonary fibrosis, and other chronic lung diseases
- Diabetes Type II
- Immunocompromised state from solid organ transplant
- Liver disease (including Hepatitis C)
- Serious Heart conditions: Coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathies
- Sickle cell disease

Referrals for adults under 60 may be submitted for individuals that have significant health related issues that increase vulnerability. However, it is expected that those exceptions will be few and far between.