

COVID-19 VACCINES

COVID-19 vaccines protect you from serious illness.

If you are vaccinated and catch COVID-19, you may avoid hospitalization and have less severe symptoms.

YOU WILL NOT GET COVID-19 FROM THE VACCINE

COVID-19 vaccines do not contain any virus, so they cannot make you sick.



THE VACCINES ARE SAFE

COVID-19 vaccines teach your body how to fight COVID-19. The mRNA vaccines cannot interact with your DNA. This type of vaccine technology has been studied for decades. There were no shortcuts taken in research, development, or approval of COVID-19 vaccines.

SERIOUS VACCINE REACTIONS ARE EXTREMELY RARE

After your shot, you may get chills, fever, body aches, headaches, and/or fatigue. This means your immune system is working. Allergic reaction or other problems, like blood clots or heart inflammation, are very rare.

EVERYONE 6 MONTHS AND OLDER IS ELIGIBLE

COVID-19 vaccines protect people from getting or spreading the virus. Though children are at less risk for serious harm from COVID-19 infection, they can still spread it to others, like grandparents, who can be severely harmed.





IF YOU HAD COVID-19, YOU STILL NEED A VACCINE

We do not know how long your natural defenses remain after you've had COVID-19. Get vaccinated to avoid illness again and possibly having worse symptoms than before.

IF YOU ARE PREGNANT, YOU CAN GET A VACCINE

COVID-19 infection can make pregnant people severely ill and harm your baby. COVID-19 vaccines are available to you. Talk to your healthcare provider to decide what is best for you and your baby.



WHAT YOU CAN DO AFTER VACCINATION

- You can return to most normal activities, but you may need to wear a mask.
 - If there are high numbers of COVID-19 cases in your area, wear a mask in public indoor settings.
- If you are exposed to someone with COVID-19, and you do not have any symptoms, you do not have to quarantine or get tested.
 - If you develop symptoms, you should get tested.



Sources: American College of Emergency Physicians
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