



Where are you with deciding to get your vaccine?

COVID-19 Immunization Readiness Gauge

Fold along dotted line so resident can view the gauges

Staff Guidance:

I am ready

Give vaccine per policies and procedures or assist in making an outside appointment for immunization.

Once they are vaccinated, consider if the resident can become a vaccine champion and share their story.

I am thinking about it

For those ambivalent, it can help to explain the inconvenience of not being vaccinated. This includes potential isolation, worse COVID symptoms, increased risk of long COVID and the PPE required for resident, visitors and staff.

Ask questions like: "What information would you need to move forward with the vaccine?" or "What would make you more comfortable getting immunized?"

I am not ready

Messaging for people firmly against vaccination will take time and gauging if their concerns are based in trust, lack of or poor information or other reasons.

Ask "What would make you change your mind?" and let the answer guide the conversation. Refer to the medical director and DON as appropriate.

Additional Information:



[Simple Strategies for Side Effects of the COVID-19 Vaccine](#)



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