

COVID-19 VACCINE



Public health experts found that COVID-19 vaccinations increase protection against COVID-19 and other conditions associated with the virus. Staying up to date with your vaccinations provides reliable protection from possible hospitalization and death.

Who Should Get It?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that everyone ages six months and older receive a COVID-19 vaccine. Vaccinations protect yourself from getting seriously ill or dying from COVID-19. Depending on your age and immunity, you may be eligible to get more than one vaccine.

Is It Safe?

The CDC has given guidance on vaccines for 70 years, working with experts all over the world to provide the best vaccines to prevent illnesses. As children, we had multiple lifesaving vaccinations for illnesses such as smallpox, mumps, tetanus and polio. We have yearly influenza vaccines to decrease our risk of getting the flu.

All usual precautions were taken when developing and approving the COVID-19 vaccines. They were tested on more people more quickly (because of the urgent need for a vaccine), and were found to be safe and trustworthy. Hundreds of millions of people have safely received the COVID-19 vaccine in the U.S., and they are being continually monitored for our safety.

Why Should I Get It?

The vaccine prevents many cases of COVID-19, and vaccinated people who get COVID-19 don't get as sick. Those hospitalized with the virus are unvaccinated or under-vaccinated.

COVID-19 takes the worst toll on older citizens. People over the age of 65, and people with a weakened immune system, benefit from the COVID-19 vaccine because their immune system needs more protection. The vaccines will not make COVID-19 go away, but they provide the best option to keep us and our loved ones from getting very ill and dying from the virus.



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