

COVID BINGO

Instructions

The COVID BINGO game provides an interactive, fun format to increase awareness, conversations and education about COVID-19 and vaccinations.

The adapted BINGO cards feature terms associated with respiratory viruses, COVID-19 and vaccinations. They offer an opportunity to discuss elements of the disease and ways to prevent COVID-19. This educational game can be played with residents, staff, family members or a combination of all participants.

Supplies:

- **COVID BINGO Cards** – This set of 20 different cards can be printed on 8.5" x 11" paper.
- **COVID Word List** – Print this list for the caller.
- **Spinner or Ball Cage with Call-Out Letters/Numbers** – This is provided by the facility, adapting the letters to the game cards: B=C; I=O; N=V; G=I and O=D for call-out purposes. Example: B11 would be called C11 and O71 would be called D71.
- **Markers** – These are provided by the facility and can be buttons, caps or tabs for participants to place on their COVID BINGO card.
- **Prizes** – These are provided by the facility if any are used.



How to Play:

1. Each participant receives a COVID BINGO card and markers to place on the card when a matching letter and number are called out.
2. Everyone places a marker on the "free space" in the middle of the card.
3. The caller pulls a BINGO ball out of the cage and calls the appropriate letter and number (described above). Participants mark their cards.
4. The caller asks the participants with the number, "What is the word on your card?" Any participant shares the word, and the caller reads the definition associated with that word from the COVID Word List. If there is time, answer any questions or participate in discussion.
5. Select the next BINGO ball. Repeat the word/definition process above. There should be a word and definition shared with each BINGO ball called out.
6. A winner is identified when the first participant has their markers in a straight vertical, horizontal or diagonal line across their COVID BINGO card (an alternative game can be "Blackout or Cover All," where the whole card must be covered).
7. The caller checks to verify that all covered numbers for the winning game have been called and declares a winner.
8. Prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the facility.