

COVID-19 Vaccination

Should I Get the COVID-19 Vaccine?

Many people have questions about whether or not to get a COVID-19 vaccine. The vaccine is very effective, safe, and free. For more information, visit: www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines

Risks from COVID-19 Disease

- **COVID-19 has killed over 500,000 Americans**, nearly all of whom were unvaccinated.¹
- **Even those who are low risk of death from COVID-19 can suffer long-term consequences.**

Benefits of COVID-19 Vaccinations

- If you are fully vaccinated, there is a low risk of catching COVID-19.
 - Vaccines are up to 95% effective at preventing symptomatic COVID-19 infection.
 - Even if you catch COVID-19, there is a *much* lower risk of serious illness or dying if vaccinated.
- You can help keep people around you safe.
 - Vaccination helps decrease the spread of COVID-19 to others at risk of severe infection.
- You can do more things.
 - After being fully vaccinated, it is safer to do things like visiting a vaccinated friend.
 - You may be able to visit other countries without getting tested for COVID-19.

Safety of COVID-19 Vaccinations

- The vaccines have been studied closely and appear to be incredibly safe.
 - Over 200 million COVID-19 vaccination doses have already been given to people in the US.
 - Vaccines are studied thoroughly before and after being made available to the public.

Comparing risks of COVID-19 infection to COVID-19 vaccination

For every 1 million people:	
Who get infected with COVID-19	Who get vaccinated for COVID-19
63,000 will be hospitalized ¹	11 will have a severe allergic reaction ³
18,000 will die ¹	<1 will have a blood clot in the brain ⁴
30% will have symptoms such as fatigue, shortness of breath, and brain fog lasting 6 months or more ²	25% will have symptoms such as chills or body aches. These usually last less than 24 hours ⁵

Where can I get a COVID-19 Vaccine?

Ask your physician or find vaccination sites near you by visiting: www.vaccines.gov/search/

The vaccine is free and does not require identification or insurance

For further information, please ask a trusted source such as your primary care provider or pharmacist about the risks and benefits of vaccination.

Information Sources:

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