

**NOW
AVAILABLE
FOR ADULTS,
CHILDREN AND
BABIES**

GET THE FACTS.

PROTECT YOUR CHILD.



PROTECT YOUR COMMUNITY.

Children and youth will be safest when they are up-to-date on their COVID-19 vaccines.

The vaccine protects everyone, including children and youth, from getting COVID-19. The vaccine also prevents children and youth from getting seriously ill if they do get sick.

There are new COVID-19 variants that spread more easily and may cause more severe symptoms. Vaccines protect against variants.

Vaccinating children and youth protects the whole community.

People who are up-to-date on their COVID-19 vaccines are less likely to spread the virus to others. When eligible children are vaccinated it protects:

- Their friends and family who are not yet vaccinated.
- The elderly and people with certain medical conditions who are at high risk of getting seriously ill from COVID-19.

As more children and adults get vaccinated, it will also be easier to keep schools and businesses open.



SAFE AND EFFECTIVE

- No other vaccine has been tested as much for its safety in U.S. history.
- The vaccine has been proven safe for children, youth and adults, including those of different races, ethnicities and ages.
- COVID-19 vaccines do not affect puberty or future fertility. Vaccines will not make your child unable to have their own children someday.

FREE FOR EVERYONE

- You and your child can get a free vaccine regardless of **immigration status**.
- Neither you nor your child need to **show an ID** or have **health insurance** to receive a free vaccine.

What to expect

When your child is up-to-date on their COVID-19 vaccines, they will be safer when attending school, playing sports, and visiting friends and family. Being up-to-date means getting both doses of a two-shot vaccine, and then getting any booster shots they are eligible for.



At the appointment:

- Before the nurse or doctor gives your child the vaccine, they will tell you about it, review your child's medical history and ask you if you have any questions.
- Your child will need to stay for 15–30 minutes to make sure they are not allergic.



Mild side effects are normal

Side effects do NOT mean your child has COVID-19.

Side effects mean the vaccine is teaching your child's body how to fight COVID-19.

Mild side effects may include:

- Pain or swelling on the arm where the vaccine is given
- Tiredness
- Headache
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Fever
- Nausea



Serious side effects are very rare

The vaccines are safe. It is much more likely that your child will have serious complications from COVID-19 than from a vaccine.

A small number of young people have experienced side effects like heart inflammation (called myocarditis or pericarditis) or blood clots.

- Serious side effects are **extremely rare**
- Serious side effects are **treatable** and most people who have them get better
- The benefit of the vaccine far outweighs any risk from it

ASK YOUR DOCTOR FOR MORE INFORMATION

Talk to your child's doctor or nurse to learn more about COVID-19 vaccines and other vaccines that your child may need.



For more information: [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)