Safe. Effective. Free.

Don't say no to the COVID-19 vaccine until you know the facts.

More than 150 million people have safely received a COVID-19 vaccine, but that doesn't mean you don't have questions. Here are some answers from experts to help you feel confident in choosing to get vaccinated.

Why get vaccinated?

It protects you: The biggest reason to get vaccinated is to protect you and those you care about from serious illness or death. Each of the different vaccines are nearly 100% effective at preventing hospitalization and death from COVID-19.

It's safe: COVID-19 vaccines were evaluated in tens of thousands of participants in clinical trials. The vaccines met the FDA's rigorous scientific standards for safety, effectiveness, and manufacturing quality needed to support emergency use authorization (EUA). To date, one vaccine has received full FDA approval with others pending FDA review.

It's been inclusively tested: More than 100,000 people from diverse backgrounds and ethnicities participated in the vaccine trials.

It's free: You can protect yourself, your family, and loved ones at no cost to you. In many cases, same-day appointments are available.

Will the shot hurt or make me sick?

Each shot has its own risk of side effects; some people might get sore muscles, feel tired, or have mild fever. However, most people report only a sore arm where they got the shot.

Is it safe for me to get a COVID-19 vaccine if I would like to have a baby one day?

There is currently no evidence that a COVID-19 vaccination causes any problems with pregnancy or fertility.

Is it safe for me to get a COVID-19 vaccine if I am pregnant?

You might want to have a conversation with your health care provider to help you decide whether to get vaccinated. While such a conversation might be helpful, it is not required before vaccination.

If I have a reaction, does it mean I have COVID-19?

Vaccine reactions mean the vaccine is working to help teach your body how to fight COVID-19 if you are exposed. For most people, these side effects will go away on their own in a few days. Call your doctor with any concerns.

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You can see answers to a full list of **vaccination FAQs at
cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/faq.html**.

Be sure to update your electronic health record when you are vaccinated.
Together we'll end the pandemic for good.

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