

COVID-19 VACCINE

KNOW THE FACTS

Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines have all been approved for Emergency Use Authorization in the United States.

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1 THE VACCINE IS SAFE

According to the CDC, over 285 million people in the United States have gotten a vaccine. All three currently available vaccines have been rigorously tested and meet all of the FDA's safety standards for Emergency Use Authorization. The vaccines continue to be monitored closely to ensure safety.

2 IT IS HIGHLY EFFECTIVE

All three of the authorized vaccines in the US are highly effective at preventing COVID-19 infection. Severe cases of COVID-19 are drastically reduced by vaccination. Research studies currently underway indicate that the vaccines are also effective against COVID-19 variants.

3 THE VACCINE IS FREE

The COVID-19 vaccine is available at **no cost** to everyone ages 12 and over living in the United States, regardless of immigration status. You cannot be denied the vaccine based on your health insurance coverage. Vaccine providers cannot charge you for any fees related to the COVID-19 vaccine.

4 YOUR DNA IS NOT ALTERED

There are two types of COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the United States: messenger RNA (mRNA) and viral vector vaccines. Both of these vaccine types work by delivering information that teaches our immune cells to recognize the COVID-19 virus and build protection against it. The vaccines never interact with your DNA.

5 VACCINE MATERIALS

None of the vaccines available in the US contain a live or weakened version of the COVID-19 virus. You cannot get sick with COVID-19 from the vaccine. The vaccines do not contain microchips, fetal tissue, stem cells, mercury, aluminum, or latex. The vaccines are certified gelatin-free and do not contain any pork products.

6 PREGNANCY & FERTILITY

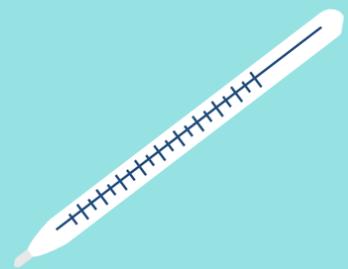
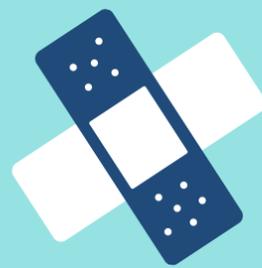
There is no evidence that any of the COVID-19 vaccines impact fertility. All data and research currently shows that the COVID-19 vaccines are safe for pregnant and breastfeeding people. In fact, the protection you receive from vaccination may be passed along to your baby.

7 SIDE EFFECTS

Many people do not experience any side effects from the vaccines. Common side effects include pain at injection site, fever, headache, tiredness, muscle pain, chills, and nausea. These side effects are thought to occur because your body is building an immune response to the COVID-19 virus. Serious reactions are rare and include anaphylaxis and TTS.

8 FULLY VACCINATED PEOPLE

You are considered fully vaccinated two weeks after your last vaccine dose. Fully vaccinated people can safely resume activities that you did before the pandemic. This includes hugging your loved ones and gathering with friends.



COVID-19 Vaccines Save Lives