WHY GET THE COVID-19 VACCINE

We understand some people may be concerned about getting vaccinated now that COVID-19 vaccines are available in the United States. While more COVID-19 vaccines are being developed as quickly as possible, routine processes and procedures remain in place to ensure the safety of any vaccine authorized or approved for use.

SAFETY IS A TOP PRIORITY. HERE ARE A FEW REASONS TO GET VACCINATED.

- COVID-19 vaccines will not give you COVID-19.
- All COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the United States are shown to be highly effective at preventing COVID-19.
- All COVID-19 vaccines in development are being carefully evaluated in clinical trials and will be authorized or approved only if they make it substantially less likely you'll get COVID-19.
- Based on what we know about vaccines for other diseases and early data from clinical trials, experts believe getting a COVID-19 vaccine may also help keep you from getting seriously ill even if you do get COVID-19.

- Getting vaccinated yourself may also protect people around you, particularly people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- If you get sick, you could spread the disease to friends, family, and others around you. COVID-19 can have serious, life-threatening complications, and there is no way to know how COVID-19 will affect you.
- Getting COVID-19 may offer some natural protection, known as immunity. But experts don't know how long this protection lasts. COVID-19 vaccination will help protect you by creating an antibody (immune system) response without having to experience sickness.

WEAR A MASK

COVID-19 vaccines are one of many important tools to help us stop this pandemic

It's important for everyone to continue using all the tools available to help stop this pandemic.

EVEN IF VACCINATED:

Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others, wash or disinfect your hands often, stay at least 6 feet away from others, and if you are feeling sick or experiencing symptoms, stay at home.



