CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) VACCINATION INFORMATION

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THE SAFETY OF COVID-19 VACCINES IS A TOP PRIORITY.

CDC has developed a new tool, **v-safe**, as an additional layer of safety monitoring to increase our ability to rapidly detect any safety issues with COVID-19 vaccines. V-safe is a new smartphone-based, after-vaccination health checker for people who receive COVID-19 vaccines.

After 1.9 million vaccinations in the first round of shots, there were only 29 adverse reactions. With thousands of COVID-19 deaths per day, it's statistically safer to be vaccinated than take a chance with COVID-19 complications.

COVID-19 vaccination will help protect you from getting COVID-19. Two doses are needed.
Depending on the specific vaccine you get, a second shot 3-4 weeks after your first shot is needed to get the most protection the vaccine has to offer against this serious disease.

CDC is making recommendations for who should be offered COVID-19 vaccine first when supplies are limited.

To help guide decisions about how to distribute limited initial supplies of COVID-19 vaccine, CDC and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices have published recommendations for which groups should be vaccinated first. **Learn more** about who should be vaccinated first when vaccine supplies are limited.

THERE IS CURRENTLY A LIMITED SUPPLY OF COVID-19 VACCINE IN THE UNITED STATES, BUT SUPPLY WILL INCREASE IN THE WEEKS AND MONTHS TO COME.

The goal is for everyone to be able to easily get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as large enough quantities are available. Once the vaccine is widely available, the plan is to have several thousand vaccination providers offering COVID-19 vaccines in doctors' offices, retail pharmacies, hospitals, and federally qualified health centers.

AFTER COVID-19 VACCINATION, YOU MAY HAVE SOME SIDE EFFECTS. THIS IS A NORMAL SIGN THAT YOUR BODY IS BUILDING PROTECTION.

The side effects from COVID-19 vaccination may feel like flu and might even affect your ability to do daily activities, but they should go away in a few days. **Learn more** about what side effects to expect and get helpful tips on how to reduce pain and discomfort after your vaccination.

CAN A COVID-19 VACCINE MAKE ME SICK WITH COVID-19?

No. None of the COVID-19 vaccines contain the live virus that causes COVID-19 so a COVID-19 vaccine cannot make you sick with COVID-19.

COST IS NOT AN OBSTACLE TO GETTING VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19.

Vaccine doses purchased with U.S. taxpayer dollars will be given to the American people at no cost. However, vaccination providers may be able to charge administration fees for giving the shot. Vaccination providers can get this fee reimbursed by the patient's public or private insurance company or, for uninsured patients, by the Health Resources and Services Administration's Provider Relief Fund.

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 as we learn more about how COVID-19 vaccines work in real-world conditions. **Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when around others, stay at least 6 feet away from others, avoid crowds, and wash your hands often.**

Go to the CDC website for more info on COVID-19 vaccine and for vaccine recommendations and supply changes.