Why should I get it?

COVID-19 vaccination will help protect your child by building immunity without the risk of severe illness.

Getting the COVID-19 vaccine adds one more layer of protection for you, your friends, and your family

Building defenses against COVID-19 in your community is a team effort. And **each individual** are a key part of that defense.

Is it safe?

The FDA has issued **Emergency Use Authorizations (EUA)** for Pfizer in ages 12 years and older for use in the United States.

EUA is issued for vaccines only if:
- It's safe and effective
- Benefits outweigh the risks

Before Authorization ↺
- FDA carefully reviews all safety data from clinical trials.
- ACIP reviews all safety data before recommending use.

After Authorization ↻
- FDA and CDC closely monitor vaccine safety and side effects. There are systems in place that allow CDC and FDA to watch for safety issues.

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FULLY VACCINATED
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2 WEEKS AFTER YOUR FINAL SHOT

It takes time for your body to build immunity after any vaccination. COVID-19 vaccines may not protect you until two weeks after your second shot of Pfizer.

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References

Centers for Disease Control: COVID-19
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COVID-19 Vaccine

ADOLESCENTS

What are the risks of getting the vaccine?

On the arm where you got the shot:

- Pain
- Redness
- Swelling

Throughout the rest of your body:

- Tiredness
- Headache
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Fever
- Nausea

There is a remote chance that the vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. This typically occurs within a few minutes to one hour after getting a dose of the vaccine.

You should get the second shot even if you have side effects after the first shot, unless your PCM tells you not to get it.

What are the risks of not getting the vaccine?

COVID-19 Disease

Cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing | Fever or chills

Muscle or body aches | Vomiting or diarrhea | New loss of taste or smell

Symptoms can range from mild to severe illness, and appear 2-14 days after you are exposed to SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19.

What vaccine is currently available?

Pfizer

Type: mRNA Vaccine
Regimen: 2 doses/21 days apart

Phase 3 Trial Results
- Participants: 2,260
- Efficacy:
- Ages12-15: 100%
  - Ages 17+: 95%
- Adverse Events: neuralgia (1), mental health diagnosis (1), abdominal pain (1), lymphadenopathy (9)
- Anaphylaxis: 0
- Death: 0

How does it work?

mRNA Vaccine

1. mRNA (code to build spike protein) is introduced to the body
2. Body produces spike protein
3. Immune system produces antibody