



COVID-19

COVID-19 Vaccines for Healthcare Personnel

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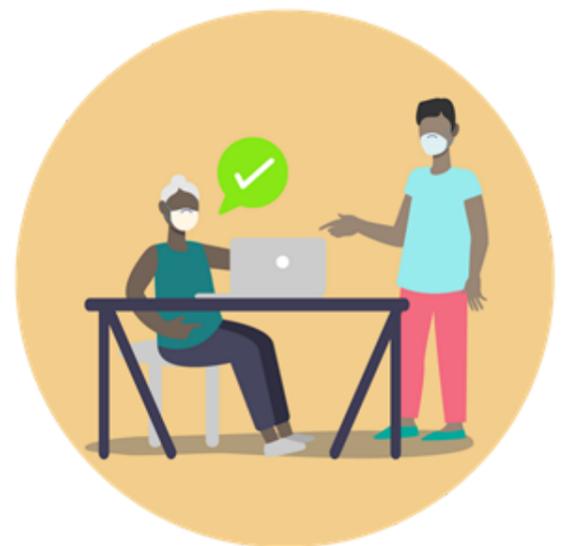
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Healthcare personnel continue to be on the front line of the nation's fight against COVID-19. By providing critical care to those who are or might be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19, some healthcare personnel are at increased risk of infection from COVID-19. All healthcare personnel are recommended to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

Tips for How to Get a COVID-19 Vaccine

If you have not already been vaccinated against COVID-19, you can:

- Talk to your healthcare administrative staff to determine if a vaccine can be made available to you on site.
- If a vaccine is not available on site, [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) can assist with finding vaccination providers near you.



Find a COVID-19 Vaccine: Search [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov), text your ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233 to find locations near you.

Information About COVID-19 Vaccines for Healthcare Professionals

You can help protect yourself and your patients by getting a COVID-19 vaccine when it is available.

- Studies show that COVID-19 vaccines are [safe](#) and [effective](#).
- A COVID-19 vaccine cannot make you sick with COVID-19.
- Depending on the [kind of COVID-19 vaccine](#) you get, you might need a second shot 3 weeks (or 21 days) or 4 weeks (or 28 days) after your first shot.
- Learn more about [getting your COVID-19 vaccine](#).

After getting vaccinated, some people have side effects. Common side effects include:

- Pain, redness, or swelling where you get your shot
- Tiredness
- Headache
- Muscle pain
- Chills
- Fever
- Nausea



These are normal signs that your body is building protection against COVID-19. Learn more about possible side effects and [what to expect after getting your COVID-19 vaccine](#).

After You Are Fully Vaccinated

For non-healthcare settings:

After you are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you can resume activities in non-healthcare settings that you did prior to the pandemic. Learn more about what you can do [when you have been fully vaccinated](#).

For healthcare settings:

When you are working in a healthcare setting, different infection prevention and control guidance will apply. Learn more: [Updated Healthcare Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations in Response to COVID-19 Vaccination](#).

Cost

You will not need to pay for a COVID-19 vaccine.

COVID-19 vaccination providers **cannot**:

- Require payment for the vaccine.
- Require payment for any administration fees, copays, or coinsurance.
- Deny vaccination to anyone who does not have health insurance coverage, is underinsured, or is out of network.
- Require a payment for an office visit or other fee from you if the only service provided is a COVID-19 vaccination.
- Require additional services in order for you to receive a COVID-19 vaccine; however, additional healthcare services can be provided at the same time and billed as appropriate.

COVID-19 vaccination providers **can**:

- Seek appropriate reimbursement from your plan or program (e.g., private health insurance, Medicare, Medicaid) for a vaccine administration fee.
- However, providers **cannot** charge you the balance of the bill.

Scam Alert: If anyone asks you to pay for access to a COVID-19 vaccine, it is likely a scam. Don't share your personal or financial information if someone calls, texts, or emails you promising access to a vaccine for an extra fee.

Related Pages

- › [Key Things to Know About COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- › [When You've Been Fully Vaccinated](#)
- › [Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
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