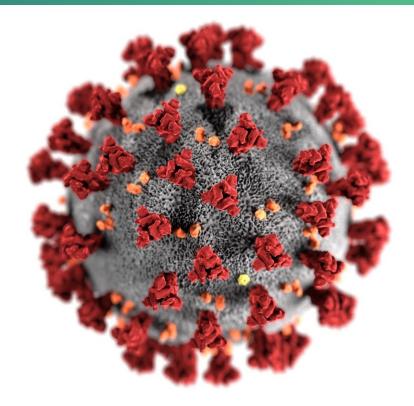


## **COVID-19 Vaccine Implementation**

Dr. Janell Routh January 21, 2021





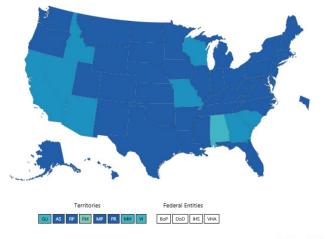
## **COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution and Initiation**

### As of January 20, 2021

Overall US COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution and Administration

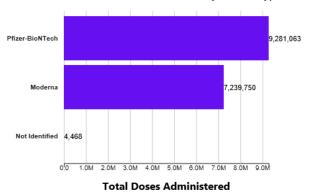


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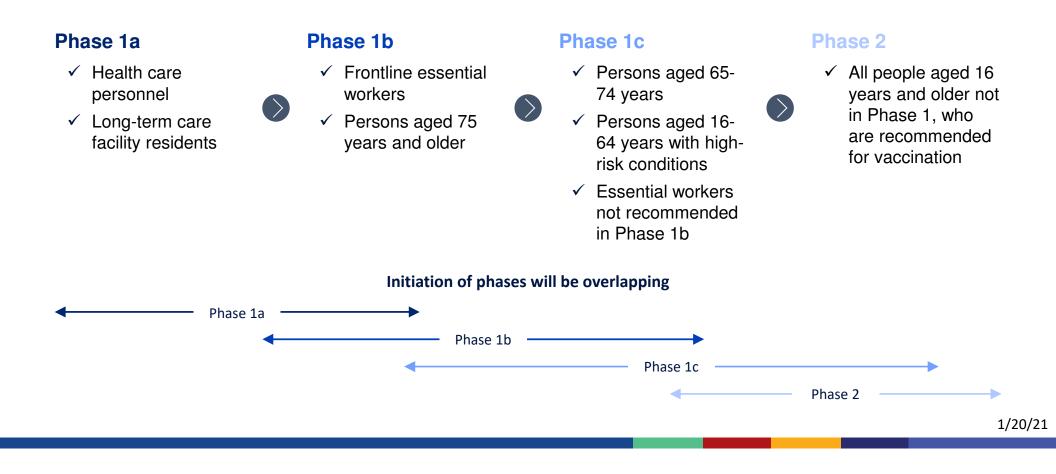
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U.S. COVID-19 Vaccine Administration by Vaccine Type



Available: <u>https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker</u> 1/20/21

## **Overview of groups prioritized by ACIP**



## **Essential Workers**

### Frontline Essential Workers (~30M)

- First Responders (Firefighters, Police)
- Education (Teachers, Support Staff, Daycare)
- Food & Agriculture
- Manufacturing
- Corrections Workers
- U.S. Postal Service Workers
- Public Transit Workers
- Grocery Store Workers

### **Other Essential Workers (~57M)**

- Transportation & Logistics
- Food Service
- Shelter & Housing (Construction)
- Finance
- IT & Communication
- Energy
- Media
- Legal
- Public Safety (Engineers)
- Water & Wastewater

**Frontline Essential Workers:** workers who are in sectors essential to the functioning of society and are at substantially higher risk of exposure to SARS-CoV-2

\*CISA: Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers: https://www.cisa.gov/news/2020/08/18/cisa-releases-updated-guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workers

## **Sub-prioritization Considerations**\*

- Where sub-prioritization of frontline essential workers is needed due to limited vaccine supply, consider:
  - Workers in locations where high rates of transmission and/or outbreaks have occurred
  - Workers who are at increased risk for severe illness based on age or underlying medical conditions<sup>\*\*</sup>

\*https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/phased-implementation.html \*\*Self-identified medical conditions

## **Special Considerations and Challenges for Vaccination of Frontline Essential Workers**

- Large number of frontline workers, including those in the food and agriculture sector
  - Ex) producers, processors, grocery store workers
- State and local health authorities may need to sub-prioritize vaccination
- Workers may work in one state but live in another
- Coordination and planning for if, where, and when staff are eligible and can be vaccinated
  - Possible use of worksites to administer vaccine
- Transient workforce may have difficulty getting 2<sup>nd</sup> dose

## **Special Considerations and Challenges for Vaccination of Frontline Essential Workers**

- Concerns about vaccine safety among some workers
- Need for culturally appropriate vaccination information in multiple languages
- Rural areas have limited access to health care and health providers
- Methods of communication may be different (ex. radio, print)
- Rely on community leaders to serve as trusted sources for information
- Some missed days may occur due to post-vaccination side effects

## **COVID-19 and Vaccine Basics**

## **Explaining mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines**

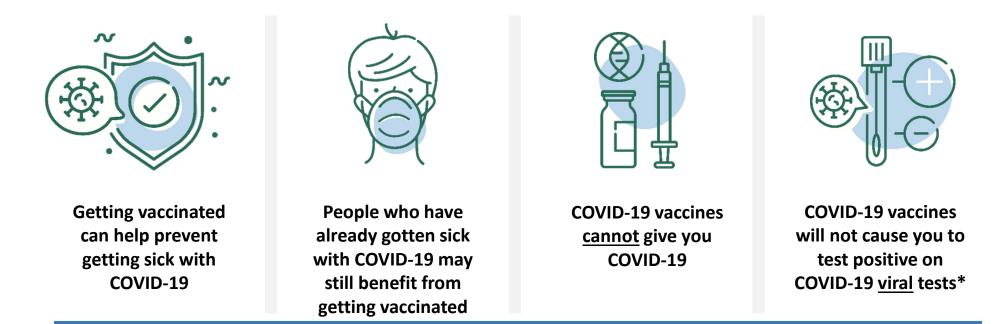
- mRNA vaccines take advantage of the process that cells use to make proteins in order to trigger an immune response
  - Like all vaccines, COVID-19 mRNA vaccines have been rigorously tested for safety before being authorized for use in the United States
  - mRNA technology is **new, but not unknown**. They have been studied for more than a decade
  - mRNA vaccines **do not contain a live virus** and do not carry a risk of causing disease in the vaccinated person
  - mRNA from the vaccine never enters the nucleus of the cell and does not affect or interact with a person's DNA

## Fast-tracking COVID-19 vaccines while ensuring safety

- Researchers used existing networks to conduct COVID-19 vaccine trials.
- Manufacturing began while clinical trials are still underway. Normally, manufacturing doesn't begin until after completion of the trials.
- mRNA vaccines are faster to produce than traditional vaccines.
- FDA and CDC are prioritizing review and authorization of COVID-19 vaccines.

\*For more information, visit the COVID-19 Prevention Network: <u>www.coronaviruspreventionnetwork.org/about-covpn</u>

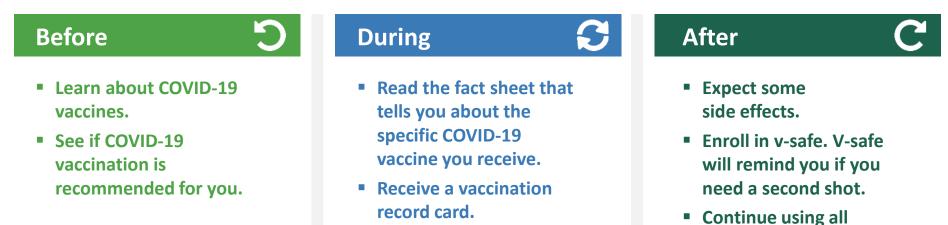
## **Key facts about COVID-19 vaccination**



https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/about-vaccines/vaccine-myths.html

\*https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/testing-overview.html

# What to expect before, during, and after COVID-19 vaccination



 Continue using all the measures to protect yourself and others.

V-safe: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/safety/vsafe.html

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## Safety of COVID-19 vaccines is a top priority

COVID-19 vaccines are being held to the same safety standards as all vaccines.



V-safe: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/vaccines/safety/vsafe.html

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- V-safe is a new CDC smart-phone based monitoring program for COVID-19 vaccine safety
  - Uses text messaging and web surveys to check-in with vaccine recipients after vaccination
  - Participants can report any side effects or health problems after COVID-19 vaccination
  - Includes active telephone follow-up by CDC for reports of significant health impact



# Vaccination is one measure to help stop the pandemic

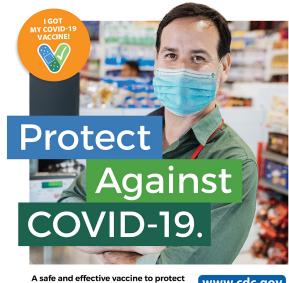
- While COVID-19 mRNA vaccines appear to be highly effective, additional preventive tools remain important to limit the spread of COVID-19.
- The combination of getting vaccinated and following CDC recommendations to protect yourself and others offers the best protection from COVID-19.
  - Cover your nose and mouth with a mask.
  - Stay at least 6 feet from people who don't live with you.
  - Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces.
  - Wash your hands.



# Protect yourself, your family, friends, coworkers, and your community.

## Get vaccinated.

- Choose to get vaccinated when it is offered.
- Participate in v-safe and help CDC monitor for any health effects after vaccination.
- Share your experience with coworkers, friends, and family.
- Know the basics about the COVID-19 vaccine. Help answer questions from your family and friends.
- Show you received the vaccine by wearing a sticker or button prominently.



A safe and effective vaccine to prote against COVID-19 is now available. www.cdc.gov

## **COVID-19 Vaccine Communication Toolkit for**

**Essential Workers** 

Employer-please customize the letter below for your organization

#### Dear Employee,

Across the country, the COVID-19 pandemic is having devastating effects. We appreciate how much you have already done to adapt during this challenging time. As you know, we have been taking preventive measures at {INSERT YOUR COMPANY NAME} against COVID-19 for the past several months to help keep you, our entire staff, your families, and our customers safe. We have worked under some uncertain and often stressful conditions, and you have helped make it possible for us to continue our essential operations.

It's important that essential workers like you are vaccinated because of your role in maintaining critical infrastructure operations. Essential workers are at increased risk of getting COVID-19 and spreading it to others because work-related duties must be performed on site and involve being in close contact (within 6 feet for a cumulative total of 15 minutes in a 24-hour period) with the public or coworkers.

Getting the COVID-19 vaccine gives you an added layer of protection against COVID-19 and could also protect your coworkers and your family. Here are some key points about COVID-19 vaccination

- All COVID-19 vaccines available in the United States are very effective at preventing the disease.
- · The most common side effects are pain in the arm where you got the shot, feeling tired. headache, body aches, chills, and fever.
- Stopping a pandemic requires using all the tools we have available—wearing masks. staving at least 6 feet from people who don't live with you, avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, washing your hands frequently, and getting vaccinated.

{If you have scheduled vaccination clinics} Your health and safety continue to be our priority and, to ensure convenient access to vaccination, we will have vaccines available to our staff at (INSERT INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE TO GET VACCINATED).

If you have questions about our vaccination clinics, please contact (INSERT NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION FOR YOUR COMPANY'S POINT OF CONTACT}.

If you want to know more about COVID-19 vaccines, visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/vaccines

Sincerely,

(INSERT SIGNATURE OF COMPANY LEADER)

### **Customizable Letters**



Note to organizations: Use this article in your e-newsletters or hard copy newslett that you distribute to members. Please consider a "special edition" newsletter this article and supplement it with information about who to contact for more information about vaccines. Feel free to customize the text to make it appropriate for your organiza

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COVID-19 vaccine: It's our turn to roll up our sleeves and get vaccinated It's hard to imagine a time when we didn't know COVID-19 existed. Now when people say "virus," we know what they mean. The impact of COVID-19 on our lives, our activities, and our freedom has affected us all. The responsibility is ours, as a community, to help stop this virus. Now we have a new, safe, and effective tool to help us do that—COVID-19 vaccines.

#### It takes everyone.

We all need to step up to beat COVID-19. We ask you to join us in protecting yourself your family and friends, and our community by getting vaccinated.

(INSERT QUOTE FROM ORGANIZATION LEADERSHIP. Suggested quote: "COVID-19 ination is one of the strongest tools we can use to fight this pandemic together,") says [NAME and TITLE].

Getting vaccinated adds an important layer of protection for you, your family, and love ones. Here are some things you should know about the COVID-19 vaccine:

- All COVID-19 vaccines currently available in the United States are very effective a preventing the disease.
- The most common side effects are pain in the arm where you got the shot. feeling tired, headache, body aches, chills, and fever
- Stopping a pandemic requires using all the tools we have available—wearing masks, staying at least 5 feet apart from people who don't live with you, avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces, washing your hands frequently, and getting vaccinated.

We want everyone in our community to be safe and get back to hugging our families and friends and shaking hands with our neighbors.

We all play a part in this effort, and you are key. Please sign up to get your COVID-19 vaccination at {INSERT INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE TO GET VACCINAT

### Newsletter Content

#### Social Media Message Bank LinkedIn Facebook Instagram Twitter Getting vaccinated is the best Getting vaccinated is the best Getting vaccinated is the best Vaccine Benefits Getting vaccinated is the best protection against getting sick protection against getting sick protection against getting sick protection against getting sick with COVID-19 Find out where with COVID-19 Visit with COVID-19, Visit with COVID-19, Visit https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN to locate https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN to locate https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN to locate to get your COVID-19 vaccine: https://bit.lv/3bP6zSN a #COVID19 vaccine site near a #COVID19 vaccine site near a COVID-19 vaccine site near you. you. you. Stay up to date with the facts about the COVID-19 vaccine about the #COVID19 vaccine about the #COVID19 vaccine about the COVID-19 vaccine Learn more: Learn more ∕isit https://www.cdc.gov/coronavi www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019 www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019 https://www.cdc.gov/coronavir us/2019--ncov/vaccines to learn more. -ncov/vaccines to learn more. us/2019ncov/vaccines/index.html ncov/vaccines/index.html /accine Benefit You are more than an essential You are more than an essential You are more than an essentia ou are more than an essential worker: you are essential to your family and loved ones. Find your family and loved ones. Visit your family. Visit your family and loved ones. Find https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN to find out how you can get your https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN to locate out how you can get your COVID-19 vaccine today: a #COVID19 vaccine site near out how to get vaccinated COVID-19 vaccine today https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN you. Vaccine Benefits You have taken care of all of us. You have Now it's time to take care of Now it's you. Schedule your vaccination appointment today. Find a vou Vis to find a #COVID19 vaccine site near you near vo https://bit.ly/3bP6zSN Essentia Getting a COVID-19 vaccine adds www.cdc.gov one more layer of protection. Social Media Content

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/toolkits/essential-workers.html

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## Thank you

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