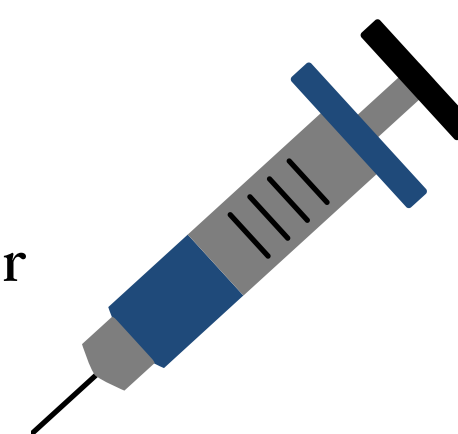


COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION

SAFE. TESTED. EFFECTIVE.

*This information is based on current evidence regarding the COVID-19 vaccine as of September 2021. As more information is available, this document will be modified.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THE COVID-19 VACCINATION?

CDC recommends everyone 12 years and older should get a COVID-19 vaccination to help protect against COVID-19. Widespread vaccination is a critical tool to help stop the pandemic. People who are fully vaccinated can resume activities that they did prior to the pandemic. Learn more about what you and your child or teen can do when you have been fully vaccinated. Children 12 years and older are able to get the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. (CDC, 2021)

WHERE CAN I GET THE VACCINE?

One place you can get the vaccine is through the Southeast Health District, which is giving vaccines through several county health departments in southeast Georgia. You can verify your eligibility and make an appointment by calling 1-855-473-4374. Some pharmacies (including pharmacies in grocery stores like Ingles, Kroger and Publix) and community health centers also have limited supplies of vaccine. You can go to the Georgia Department of Public Health website at <https://www.dph.ga.gov/locations/covid-vaccination-site> for information on places in your county that are offering vaccine.

Once the vaccine is widely available, the plan is to have several thousand sites offering COVID-19 vaccines in doctors' offices, retail pharmacies, hospitals, federally qualified community health centers and county health departments.

EFFECTIVENESS

There are two vaccines, Pfizer and Moderna. With either vaccine, you must get two shots. The Pfizer vaccine has been shown to be 95% effective 7 days after the second dose and 94% effective in adults over age 65. The Moderna vaccine has been shown to be 94% effective after the second dose. These results were the same for males and females and across age, race and ethnicity.

IS THE VACCINE SAFE?

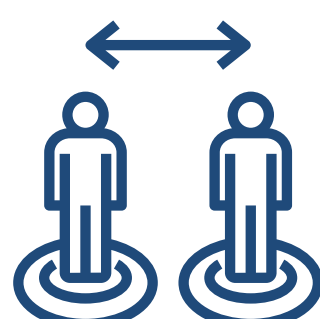
COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. COVID-19 vaccines were evaluated in tens of thousands of participants in clinical trials. The vaccines met the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) standards for safety, effectiveness, and manufacturing quality needed to support approval or authorization of a vaccine. (CDC, 2021)

CAN I GET COVID-19 FROM THE VACCINE?

No. The COVID-19 vaccine does not contain the live virus that causes COVID-19 and cannot cause COVID-19.

ARE THERE ANY SIDE EFFECTS?

The most common known side-effects of the COVID-19 vaccine are short-term injection site pain, and flu like symptoms. These effects are temporary and are in line with side effects some people experience from some other vaccines, including the flu shot and the vaccine to prevent shingles. Some people have more severe side effects, but these are very rare. If you are concerned, ask your doctor, clinic or the health department for more information.



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