

ROLL UP YOUR SLEEVE & GET THE VACCINE

It has been proven **SAFE** and **EFFECTIVE** against **COVID-19**.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is COVID-19?

It is a new illness spreading around the world. It is also called coronavirus. It is a virus making people very sick. Getting this virus is bad for you.

2. What is a vaccine?

A vaccine is a medicine. It protects you from getting sick. For example, the flu shot is a vaccine. It protects you from getting the flu. Getting a vaccine is good for your health and could keep you from getting sick. The vaccine does not contain live virus, so you will not get the infection from the vaccine.

3. What to know about the COVID-19 vaccine?

Many COVID-19 vaccines are being made. Most require you to get 2 shots. You get the second shot 3 to 4 weeks after you got the first one. The second shot is like a booster shot. You need to get both shots for the vaccine to work. The government makes sure all vaccines are as safe as possible. The vaccine is free. There are some side effects. For example, your arm might be sore where you get the shot (just like when you get a flu shot), and you might feel tired or have a fever after you get the shot.

4. Who will get the COVID-19 vaccine?

In the early phases, the people most at risk will be able to get the vaccine if they want. This will include medical workers, people caring for COVID-19 patients, and people who live or work in group settings. For now, the vaccine is not for children. Younger and healthy adults might have to wait until spring to get the vaccine. Once more vaccines are made, every person in Ohio will have a choice to get the vaccine if they want to.

5. Do I have to get the vaccine?

No, it is your choice to get the COVID-19 vaccine or not. The vaccine is important for your health and all those around you. People in this facility are at high risk of being exposed to COVID-19 because we have a lot of people together in one space, and many have serious health conditions. Everyone plays an important role in reducing the risk of COVID-19 by getting a vaccine. Vaccines boost your immune system so it will be ready to fight the virus if you are exposed.

6. Will I need to wear a mask after I get a vaccine shot?

YES! You must wear a mask and follow social distancing rules after you get the vaccine. It takes time for the vaccine to build up in your body. We all must keep wearing masks. Doctors will tell us when it is safe to be in public without a mask.