COVID-19 VACCINES: INFORMATION YOU CAN USE

Milwaukee County Unified Emergency Operations Center
Vaccine Communications & Community Mobilization

March 17, 2021
COVID-19 VACCINES: IT’S YOUR CHOICE

COVID-19 has changed how we live and how we feel. COVID-19 vaccines are the first step to get us back to who and what we miss most.

Getting a vaccine is a personal choice, we want it to be an informed choice.

As more people get vaccinated, vaccines will provide the safety and protection that will allow our economy to fully reopen.
GOAL: GET BACK TO WHO AND WHAT WE MISS MOST

To do that, we need to reach Community Immunity which occurs when enough people in a population have developed long-lasting immunity

80% of population needs to be vaccinated

3.7M WISCONSIN ADULTS VACCINATED

578K MILWAUKEE COUNTY ADULTS VACCINATED
ARE YOU ELIGIBLE?

Currently eligible groups in priority order

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Eligible Group</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Frontline health care personnel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Residents and staff in skilled nursing and long-term care facilities</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Police and fire personnel, correctional staff</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Adults ages 65 and older</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Educators and child care</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Individuals enrolled in Medicaid long-term care programs</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Some public facing essential workers</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Non-frontline essential health care personnel</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Congregate living facility staff and residents</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Next eligible groups

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Eligible Group</th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Individuals with certain medical conditions</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>All individuals age 16 and over</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Eligibility is based on recommendations from the CDC and decisions by state and local health authorities.

Beginning March 22, individuals with certain medical conditions are eligible.

Vaccines are expected to be available to all adults by early May.
COVID-19 VACCINES AT-A-GLANCE

PFIZER (mRNA)
2 SHOTS* IN THE ARM 21 DAYS APART
AGE 16+

MODERNA (mRNA)
2 SHOTS* IN THE ARM 28 DAYS APART
AGE 18+

JOHNSON & JOHNSON (traditional)
1 SHOT IN THE ARM
AGE 18+

*Both shots must be of the same vaccine. COVID-19 vaccines are free.

All vaccines were held to the same rigorous safety and effectiveness standards as all other vaccines in the United States.

All vaccines were found to be highly effective at protecting against COVID-19.

All vaccines teach the body to protect itself.

None of the vaccines contain a live virus and cannot give you COVID-19.

After receiving the vaccine, you may experience tenderness at the injection site, fatigue, low-grade fever, headache, or muscle/joint soreness – these should go away within a day or two.

For more information, and to stay up to date on vaccine eligibility, visit: healthyMKE.com
# VACCINE MYTHS   VACCINE FACTS

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Myth</th>
<th>Fact</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>They were rushed and aren’t safe.</td>
<td>Researchers took no safety shortcuts. Large studies show the vaccines are safe.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>They change your DNA.</td>
<td>It is impossible for the vaccines to change your DNA.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>They can give you COVID-19.</td>
<td>The vaccines do not contain a live virus strain.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>They contain egg protein.</td>
<td>They do not contain egg proteins and can be given to people with egg allergies.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>They cause severe side effects.</td>
<td>For most, vaccines cause mild side effects that go away in a day or two.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>They will make women infertile.</td>
<td>There is no evidence that the vaccines cause infertility.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
What to Expect When Getting the Vaccine

**WILL I FEEL SICK AFTER THE VACCINE?**

You might feel tired, have a headache or chills
Your arm might be sore

These are all signs your body is working to protect you from COVID-19. Any side effects should go away in a day or two.

**VACCINATION CARD:**

After getting the vaccine, you’ll get a card saying you’ve been vaccinated.

**HOW DO THE VACCINES WORK?**

The vaccines use mRNA (Pfizer and Moderna) or an adenovirus (Johnson & Johnson) to tell your cells how to make antibodies that protect you against COVID-19.

They will not change your DNA.

**CONTINUE TO PRACTICE THE 3-WS:**

Even after getting vaccinated, protect your family, friends and neighbors by continuing to

**WATCH YOUR DISTANCE**

**WEAR A MASK**

**AND WASH YOUR HANDS**

UPDATED 3/9/2021 | WWW.CDC.GOV | SOURCES: CDC, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
WHAT CHANGES IF I’M FULLY VACCINATED?

If you’ve been fully vaccinated, you can gather indoors:
• with fully vaccinated people without a mask
• with unvaccinated people from one other household (for example, visiting with relatives who all live together) without masks, unless anyone has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19

If you’ve been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need quarantine or get tested unless you have symptoms
• However, if you live in a group setting and are around someone who has COVID-19, you should still stay away from others for 14 days and get tested, even if you don’t have symptoms
WHERE DO I GO TO GET VACCINATED?

This map on the DHS website is intended to help you find and connect with vaccine providers in your area.

Two pharmacies participating in the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program:

- Walgreens
- Kroger
- (Pick ‘n Save/Metro Market)

https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-map.htm