COVID-19 Vaccine Facts

All of the vaccines are effective at protecting you from serious illness and hospitalization.

Should you get the vaccine if you don’t feel at-risk for COVID-19?
Yes. Even mild COVID-19 illness can harm a person’s lungs and heart. Some people have symptoms for weeks or months.

Do you need a vaccine if you have had COVID-19?
Yes. Given the uncertainty about how long immunity lasts, it is important to still get the vaccine when it is available.

Do you need two doses of vaccine?
Yes. To be most effective, two doses of the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are needed.

Will the vaccine give you COVID-19?
No. mRNA vaccines cannot make you sick with COVID-19.

Is the vaccine safe?
All of the approved mRNA vaccines have passed quality and safety standards.

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