

## **FACT SHEET FOR RECIPIENTS AND CAREGIVERS**

### **EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA) OF THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE TO PREVENT CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) IN INDIVIDUALS 18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER**

You are being offered the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by SARS-CoV-2. This Fact Sheet contains information to help you understand the risks and benefits of receiving the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine, which you may receive because there is currently a pandemic of COVID-19.

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine may prevent you from getting COVID-19.

Read this Fact Sheet for information about the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. Talk to the vaccination provider if you have questions. It is your choice to receive the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine.

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine has received EUA from FDA to provide:

- A single dose primary vaccination to individuals 18 years of age and older.
- A single booster dose to individuals 18 years of age and older who have completed a primary vaccination with Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine.
- A single booster dose to eligible individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine.

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine may not protect everyone.

This Fact Sheet may have been updated. For the most recent Fact Sheet, please visit [www.janssencovid19vaccine.com](http://www.janssencovid19vaccine.com).

### **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GET THIS VACCINE**

#### **WHAT IS COVID-19?**

COVID-19 is caused by a coronavirus called SARS-CoV-2. This type of coronavirus has not been seen before. You can get COVID-19 through contact with another person who has the virus. It is predominantly a respiratory illness that can affect other organs. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported, ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus. Common symptoms may include: fever or chills; cough; shortness of breath; fatigue; muscle or body aches; headache; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion or runny nose; nausea or vomiting; diarrhea.

#### **WHAT IS THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine that may prevent COVID-19.

The FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 18 years of age and older under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

For more information on EUA, see the “**What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?**” section at the end of this Fact Sheet.

### **WHAT SHOULD YOU MENTION TO YOUR VACCINATION PROVIDER BEFORE YOU GET THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Tell the vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have any allergies,
- have a fever,
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner,
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system,
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant,
- are breastfeeding,
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine,
- have ever fainted in association with an injection.

### **WHO SHOULD GET THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine in individuals 18 years of age and older.

### **WHO SHOULD NOT GET THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

You should not get the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine if you:

- had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine.
- had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine.

### **WHAT ARE THE INGREDIENTS IN THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine includes the following ingredients: recombinant, replication-incompetent adenovirus type 26 expressing the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein, citric acid monohydrate, trisodium citrate dihydrate, ethanol, 2-hydroxypropyl- $\beta$ -cyclodextrin (HBCD), polysorbate-80, sodium chloride.

## **HOW IS THE JANSSEN COVID -19 VACCINE GIVEN?**

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to you as an injection into the muscle.

Primary Vaccination: The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine is administered as a **single dose**.

Booster Dose:

- A single booster dose of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered at least two months after primary vaccination with the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine.
- A single booster dose of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered to eligible individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine. Please check with your health care provider regarding eligibility for and timing of the booster dose.

## **HAS THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE BEEN USED BEFORE?**

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine. In clinical trials, more than 61,000 individuals 18 years of age and older have received the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. Millions of individuals have received the vaccine under EUA since February 27, 2021.

## **WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine has been shown to prevent COVID-19. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

## **WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Side effects that have been reported with the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, redness of the skin and swelling.
- General side effects: headache, feeling very tired, muscle aches, nausea, and fever.
- Swollen lymph nodes.
- Blood clots.
- Unusual feeling in the skin (such as tingling or a crawling feeling) (paresthesia), decreased feeling or sensitivity, especially in the skin (hypoesthesia).
- Persistent ringing in the ears (tinnitus).
- Diarrhea, vomiting.

### Severe Allergic Reactions

There is a remote chance that the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to one hour after

getting a dose of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. For this reason, your vaccination provider may ask you to stay at the place where you received your vaccine for monitoring after vaccination. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Difficulty breathing,
- Swelling of your face and throat,
- A fast heartbeat,
- A bad rash all over your body,
- Dizziness and weakness.

#### Blood Clots with Low Levels of Platelets

Blood clots involving blood vessels in the brain, lungs, abdomen, and legs along with low levels of platelets (blood cells that help your body stop bleeding), have occurred in some people who have received the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. In people who developed these blood clots and low levels of platelets, symptoms began approximately one to two weeks after vaccination. Reporting of these blood clots and low levels of platelets has been highest in females ages 18 through 49 years. The chance of having this occur is remote. You should seek medical attention right away if you have any of the following symptoms after receiving the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine:

- Shortness of breath,
- Chest pain,
- Leg swelling,
- Persistent abdominal pain,
- Severe or persistent headaches or blurred vision,
- Easy bruising or tiny blood spots under the skin beyond the site of the injection.

These may not be all the possible side effects of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. Serious and unexpected effects may occur. The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine is still being studied in clinical trials.

#### Guillain Barré Syndrome

Guillain Barré syndrome (a neurological disorder in which the body's immune system damages nerve cells, causing muscle weakness and sometimes paralysis) has occurred in some people who have received the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. In most of these people, symptoms began within 42 days following receipt of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. The chance of having this occur is

very low. You should seek medical attention right away if you develop any of the following symptoms after receiving the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine:

- Weakness or tingling sensations, especially in the legs or arms, that’s worsening and spreading to other parts of the body.
- Difficulty walking.
- Difficulty with facial movements, including speaking, chewing, or swallowing.
- Double vision or inability to move eyes.
- Difficulty with bladder control or bowel function.

### **WHAT SHOULD I DO ABOUT SIDE EFFECTS?**

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital.

Call the vaccination provider or your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

Report vaccine side effects to **FDA/CDC Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)**. The VAERS toll-free number is 1-800-822-7967 or report online to <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>. Please include “Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine EUA” in the first line of box #18 of the report form.

In addition, you can report side effects to Janssen Biotech, Inc. at the contact information provided below.

<b>e-mail</b>	<b>Fax number</b>	<b>Telephone numbers</b>
JNJvaccineAE@its.jnj.com	215-293-9955	US Toll Free: 1-800-565-4008 US Toll: (908) 455-9922

You may also be given an option to enroll in **v-safe**. **V-safe** is a new voluntary smartphone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to check in with people who have been vaccinated to identify potential side effects after COVID-19 vaccination. **V-safe** asks questions that help CDC monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines. **V-safe** also provides live telephone follow-up by CDC if participants report a significant health impact following COVID-19 vaccination. For more information on how to sign up, visit: [www.cdc.gov/vsafe](http://www.cdc.gov/vsafe).

### **WHAT IF I DECIDE NOT TO GET THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

It is your choice to receive or not receive the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine. Should you decide not to receive it, it will not change your standard medical care.

## **ARE OTHER CHOICES AVAILABLE FOR PREVENTING COVID-19 BESIDES JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Another choice for preventing COVID-19 is Comirnaty, an FDA-approved COVID-19 vaccine. Other vaccines to prevent COVID-19 may be available under Emergency Use Authorization.

## **CAN I RECEIVE THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE AT THE SAME TIME AS OTHER VACCINES?**

Data have not yet been submitted to FDA on administration of the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine at the same time as other vaccines. If you are considering receiving the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine with other vaccines, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

## **WHAT IF I AM PREGNANT OR BREASTFEEDING?**

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

## **WILL THE JANSSEN COVID-19 VACCINE GIVE ME COVID-19?**


No. The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine does not contain SARS-CoV-2 and cannot give you COVID-19.

## **KEEP YOUR VACCINATION CARD**

When you receive the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine, you will get a vaccination card to document the name of the vaccine and date of when you received the vaccine.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have questions or to access the most recent Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheets, scan the QR code using your device, visit the website or call the telephone numbers provided below.

<b>QR Code</b>	<b>Fact Sheets Website</b>	<b>Telephone numbers</b>
	<a href="http://www.janssencovid19vaccine.com">www.janssencovid19vaccine.com</a> .	US Toll Free: 1-800-565-4008 US Toll: (908) 455-9922

## **HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?**

- Ask the vaccination provider.
- Visit CDC at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.
- Visit FDA at <https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/mcm-legal-regulatory-and-policy-framework/emergency-use-authorization>.

Contact your local or state public health department.

### **WHERE WILL MY VACCINATION INFORMATION BE RECORDED?**

The vaccination provider may include your vaccination information in your state/local jurisdiction's Immunization Information System (IIS) or other designated system. For more information about IISs visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/iis/about.html>.

### **CAN I BE CHARGED AN ADMINISTRATION FEE FOR RECEIPT OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE?**

No. At this time, the provider cannot charge you for a vaccine dose and you cannot be charged an out-of-pocket vaccine administration fee or any other fee if only receiving a COVID-19 vaccination. However, vaccination providers may seek appropriate reimbursement from a program or plan that covers COVID-19 vaccine administration fees for the vaccine recipient (private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, HRSA COVID-19 Uninsured Program for non-insured recipients).

### **WHERE CAN I REPORT CASES OF SUSPECTED FRAUD?**

Individuals becoming aware of any potential violations of the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program requirements are encouraged to report them to the Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, at 1-800-HHS-TIPS or TIPS.HHS.GOV.

### **WHAT IS THE COUNTERMEASURE INJURY COMPENSATION PROGRAM?**

The Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP) is a federal program that may help pay for costs of medical care and other specific expenses for certain people who have been seriously injured by certain medicines or vaccines, including this vaccine. Generally, a claim must be submitted to the CICP within one (1) year from the date of receiving the vaccine. To learn more about this program, visit [www.hrsa.gov/cicp](http://www.hrsa.gov/cicp) or call 1-855-266-2427.

### **WHAT IS AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA)?**

The United States FDA has made the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine available under an emergency access mechanism called an EUA. The EUA is supported by a Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declaration that circumstances exist to justify the emergency use of drugs and biological products during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine has not undergone the same type of review as an FDA-approved or cleared product. FDA may issue an EUA when certain criteria are met, which includes that there are no adequate, approved, and available alternatives. In addition, the FDA decision is based on the totality of scientific evidence available showing that the product may be effective to prevent COVID-19 during the COVID-19 pandemic and that the known and potential benefits of the product outweigh the known and potential risks of the product. All of these criteria must be met to allow for the product to be used during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The EUA for the Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine is in effect for the duration of the COVID-19 declaration justifying emergency use of these products, unless terminated or revoked (after which the products may no longer be used).

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**FACT SHEET FOR RECIPIENTS AND CAREGIVERS**  
**EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA) OF**  
**THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE TO PREVENT CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019**  
**(COVID-19) IN INDIVIDUALS 18 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER**

You are being offered the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by SARS-CoV-2. This Fact Sheet contains information to help you understand the risks and benefits of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, which you may receive because there is currently a pandemic of COVID-19.

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is a vaccine and may prevent you from getting COVID-19.

Read this Fact Sheet for information about the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Talk to the vaccination provider if you have questions. It is your choice to receive the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine.

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine has received EUA from FDA to provide:

- a two-dose primary series to individuals 18 years of age and older;
- a third primary series dose to individuals 18 years of age and older who have been determined to have certain kinds of immunocompromise; and
- a single booster dose to the following individuals who have completed a primary series with the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine:
  - 65 years of age and older
  - 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19
  - 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2
- A single booster dose to certain individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine

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**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GET THIS VACCINE**

**WHAT IS COVID-19?**

COVID-19 is caused by a coronavirus called SARS-CoV-2. This type of coronavirus has not been seen before. You can get COVID-19 through contact with another person who has the virus. It is predominantly a respiratory illness that can affect other organs. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported, ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms may include: fever or chills; cough; shortness of breath; fatigue; muscle or body aches; headache; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion or runny nose; nausea or vomiting; diarrhea.

## **WHAT IS THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine that may prevent COVID-19.

The FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 18 years of age and older under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

For more information on EUA, see the “**What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?**” section at the end of this Fact Sheet.

## **WHAT SHOULD YOU MENTION TO YOUR VACCINATION PROVIDER BEFORE YOU GET THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Tell your vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have any allergies
- have had myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) or pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine
- have ever fainted in association with an injection

## **WHO SHOULD GET THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine in individuals 18 years of age and older.

## **WHO SHOULD NOT GET THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

You should not get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine if you:

- had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine
- had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine

## **WHAT ARE THE INGREDIENTS IN THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine contains the following ingredients: messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA), lipids (SM-102, polyethylene glycol [PEG] 2000 dimyristoyl glycerol [DMG], cholesterol, and 1,2-distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine [DSPC]), tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, acetic acid, sodium acetate trihydrate, and sucrose.

## **HOW IS THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE GIVEN?**

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to you as an injection into the muscle.

Primary Series: The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is administered as a 2-dose series, one month apart. A third primary series dose may be administered at least one month after the second dose to individuals who are determined to have certain kinds of immunocompromise.

### Booster Dose:

- A single booster dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered at least 6 months after completion of a primary series to individuals:
  - 65 years of age and older
  - 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19
  - 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2
- A single booster dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine may be administered to eligible individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine. Please check with your healthcare provider regarding eligibility for and timing of the booster dose.

### **HAS THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE BEEN USED BEFORE?**

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine. In clinical trials, approximately 15,400 individuals 18 years of age and older have received at least 1 dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Millions of individuals have received the vaccine under EUA since December 18, 2020.

### **WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

In an ongoing clinical trial, the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine has been shown to prevent COVID-19 following 2 doses given 1 month apart. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

### **WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE?**

There is a remote chance that the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to one hour after getting a dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. For this reason, your vaccination provider may ask you to stay at the place where you received your vaccine for monitoring after vaccination. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling of your face and throat
- A fast heartbeat
- A bad rash all over your body
- Dizziness and weakness

Myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) and pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart) have occurred in some people who have received the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. In most of these people, symptoms began within a few days following receipt of the second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. The chance of having this occur is very low. You should seek medical attention right away if you have any of the following symptoms after receiving the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine:

- Chest pain
- Shortness of breath
- Feelings of having a fast-beating, fluttering, or pounding heart

Side effects that have been reported in clinical trials with the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, tenderness and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm of the injection, swelling (hardness), and redness
- General side effects: fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea and vomiting, fever, and rash

Side effects that have been reported during post-authorization use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Severe allergic reactions
- Myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle)
- Pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- Fainting in association with injection of the vaccine

These may not be all the possible side effects of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Serious and unexpected side effects may occur. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is still being studied in clinical trials.

### **WHAT SHOULD I DO ABOUT SIDE EFFECTS?**

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital.

Call the vaccination provider or your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

Report vaccine side effects to **FDA/CDC Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)**. The VAERS toll-free number is 1-800-822-7967 or report online to <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>. Please include “Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine EUA” in the first line of box #18 of the report form.

In addition, you can report side effects to ModernaTX, Inc. at 1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762).

You may also be given an option to enroll in **v-safe**. **V-safe** is a new voluntary smartphone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to check in with people who have been vaccinated to identify potential side effects after COVID-19 vaccination. **V-safe** asks questions that help CDC monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines. **V-safe** also provides second-dose reminders if needed and live telephone follow-up by CDC if participants report a significant health impact following COVID-19 vaccination. For more information on how to sign up, visit: [www.cdc.gov/vsafe](http://www.cdc.gov/vsafe).

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Another choice for preventing COVID-19 is Comirnaty, an FDA-approved COVID-19 vaccine. Other vaccines to prevent COVID-19 may be available under Emergency Use Authorization.

**CAN I RECEIVE THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE AT THE SAME TIME AS OTHER VACCINES?**

Data have not yet been submitted to FDA on administration of Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine at the same time as other vaccines. If you are considering receiving Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine with other vaccines, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

**WHAT IF I AM IMMUNOCOMPROMISED?**

If you are immunocompromised, you may receive a third primary series dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. The third dose may still not provide full immunity to COVID-19 in people who are immunocompromised, and you should continue to maintain physical precautions to help prevent COVID-19. In addition, your close contacts should be vaccinated as appropriate.

**WHAT IF I AM PREGNANT OR BREASTFEEDING?**

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

**WILL THE MODERNA COVID-19 VACCINE GIVE ME COVID-19?**

No. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine does not contain SARS-CoV-2 and cannot give you COVID-19.


**KEEP YOUR VACCINATION CARD**

When you receive your first dose, you will get a vaccination card to show you when to return for your second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Remember to bring your card when you return.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have questions, visit the website or call the telephone number provided below.

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- Contact your state or local public health department

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these criteria must be met to allow for the product to be used during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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**VACCINE INFORMATION FACT SHEET FOR RECIPIENTS AND CAREGIVERS  
ABOUT COMIRNATY (COVID-19 VACCINE, mRNA)  
AND THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE TO PREVENT CORONAVIRUS  
DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) FOR USE IN INDIVIDUALS 12 YEARS OF AGE AND  
OLDER**

**FOR 12 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER**

**You are being offered either COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) or the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by SARS-CoV-2.**

**This Vaccine Information Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers comprises the Fact Sheet for the authorized Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine and also includes information about the FDA-licensed vaccine, COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) for use in individuals 12 years of age and older.**

**The FDA-approved COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) and the two formulations of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine authorized for Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for ages 12 years and older, when prepared according to their respective instructions for use, can be used interchangeably.<sup>1</sup>**

**COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) is an FDA-approved COVID-19 vaccine made by Pfizer for BioNTech. It is approved as a 2-dose series for prevention of COVID-19 in individuals 16 years of age and older. It is also authorized under EUA to provide:**

- a 2-dose primary series to individuals 12 through 15 years;**
- a third primary series dose to individuals 12 years of age and older who have been determined to have certain kinds of immunocompromise; and**
- a single booster dose to the following individuals who have completed a primary series with Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine or COMIRNATY:**
  - 65 years of age and older**
  - 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19**

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<sup>1</sup> When prepared according to their respective instructions for use, the FDA-approved COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) and the two EUA-authorized formulations of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for ages 12 years of age and older can be used interchangeably without presenting any safety or effectiveness concerns.



- 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2
- a single booster dose to eligible individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized COVID-19 vaccine. **Booster eligibility and schedule are based on the labeling information of the vaccine used for the primary series.**

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine has received EUA from FDA to provide:

- a 2-dose primary series to individuals 12 years of age and older;
- a third primary series dose to individuals 12 years of age and older who have been determined to have certain kinds of immunocompromise; and
- a single booster dose to the following individuals who have completed a primary series with Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine or COMIRNATY:
  - 65 years of age and older
  - 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19
  - 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2
- a single booster dose to eligible individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized COVID-19 vaccine. **Booster eligibility and schedule are based on the labeling information of the vaccine used for the primary series.**

This Vaccine Information Fact Sheet contains information to help you understand the risks and benefits of COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) and the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine, which you may receive because there is currently a pandemic of COVID-19. Talk to your vaccination provider if you have questions.

This Fact Sheet may have been updated. For the most recent Fact Sheet, please see [www.cvdvaccine.com](http://www.cvdvaccine.com).

## **WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU GET THIS VACCINE**

### **WHAT IS COVID-19?**

COVID-19 disease is caused by a coronavirus called SARS-CoV-2. You can get COVID-19 through contact with another person who has the virus. It is predominantly a respiratory illness that can affect other organs. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported, ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness leading to death. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms may include: fever or chills; cough; shortness of breath; fatigue; muscle or body aches; headache; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion or runny nose; nausea or vomiting; diarrhea.

## **WHAT IS COMIRNATY (COVID-19 VACCINE, mRNA) AND HOW IS IT RELATED TO THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) and the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine when prepared according to their respective instructions for use, can be used interchangeably.

For more information on EUA, see the “**What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?**” section at the end of this Fact Sheet.

## **WHAT SHOULD YOU MENTION TO YOUR VACCINATION PROVIDER BEFORE YOU GET THE VACCINE?**

**Tell the vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:**

- have any allergies
- have had myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) or pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine
- have ever fainted in association with an injection

## **HOW IS THE VACCINE GIVEN?**

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine or COMIRNATY will be given to you as an injection into the muscle.

**Primary Series:** The vaccine is administered as a 2-dose series, 3 weeks apart. A third primary series dose may be administered at least 4 weeks after the second dose to individuals who are determined to have certain kinds of immunocompromise.

**Booster Dose:**

- A single booster dose of the vaccine may be administered at least 6 months after completion of a primary series to individuals:
  - 65 years of age and older
  - 18 through 64 years of age at high risk of severe COVID-19
  - 18 through 64 years of age with frequent institutional or occupational exposure to SARS-CoV-2
- A single booster dose of the vaccine may be administered to certain individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized COVID-19 vaccine. Please check with your healthcare provider regarding eligibility for and timing of the booster dose.

The vaccine may not protect everyone.

## **WHO SHOULD NOT GET THE VACCINE?**

You should not get the vaccine if you:

- had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine
- had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine.

## **WHAT ARE THE INGREDIENTS IN THE VACCINES?**

COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) and the authorized formulations of the vaccine include the following ingredients:

- mRNA and lipids ((4-hydroxybutyl)azanediyl)bis(hexane-6,1-diyl)bis(2-hexyldecanoate), 2 [(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N,N-ditetradecylacetamide, 1,2-Distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine, and cholesterol).

Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines for individuals 12 years of age and older contain 1 of the following sets of additional ingredients; ask the vaccination provider which version is being administered:

- potassium chloride, monobasic potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, dibasic sodium phosphate dihydrate, and sucrose

OR

- tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, and sucrose

COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) contains the following additional ingredients: potassium chloride, monobasic potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, dibasic sodium phosphate dihydrate, and sucrose.

## **HAS THE VACCINE BEEN USED BEFORE?**

Yes. In clinical trials, approximately 23,000 individuals 12 years of age and older have received at least 1 dose of the vaccine. Data from these clinical trials supported the Emergency Use Authorization of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccines and the approval of COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA). Millions of individuals have received the vaccine under EUA since December 11, 2020. The vaccine that is authorized for use in individuals 12 years and older includes two formulations; one that was studied in clinical trials and used under EUA, and one with the same mRNA and lipids but different inactive ingredients. The use of the different inactive ingredients helps stabilize the vaccine under refrigerated temperatures and the formulation can be administered without dilution.

## **WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE VACCINE?**

The vaccine has been shown to prevent COVID-19.

The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

## **WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF THE VACCINE?**

There is a remote chance that the vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to 1 hour after getting a dose of the vaccine. For this reason, your vaccination provider may ask you to stay at the place where you received your vaccine for monitoring after vaccination. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling of your face and throat
- A fast heartbeat
- A bad rash all over your body
- Dizziness and weakness

Myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) and pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart) have occurred in some people who have received the vaccine. In most of these people, symptoms began within a few days following receipt of the second dose of vaccine. The chance of having this occur is very low. You should seek medical attention right away if you have any of the following symptoms after receiving the vaccine:

- Chest pain
- Shortness of breath
- Feelings of having a fast-beating, fluttering, or pounding heart

Side effects that have been reported with the vaccine include:

- severe allergic reactions
- non-severe allergic reactions such as rash, itching, hives, or swelling of the face
- myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle)
- pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- injection site pain
- tiredness
- headache
- muscle pain
- chills
- joint pain
- fever
- injection site swelling
- injection site redness
- nausea
- feeling unwell
- swollen lymph nodes (lymphadenopathy)
- decreased appetite
- diarrhea
- vomiting
- arm pain
- fainting in association with injection of the vaccine

These may not be all the possible side effects of the vaccine. Serious and unexpected side effects may occur. The possible side effects of the vaccine are still being studied in clinical trials.

### **WHAT SHOULD I DO ABOUT SIDE EFFECTS?**

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital.

Call the vaccination provider or your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

Report vaccine side effects to FDA/CDC Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS). The VAERS toll-free number is 1-800-822-7967 or report online to <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>. Please include either “COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA)” or “Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine EUA”, as appropriate, in the first line of box #18 of the report form.

In addition, you can report side effects to Pfizer Inc. at the contact information provided below.

Website	Fax number	Telephone number
<a href="http://www.pfizersafetyreporting.com">www.pfizersafetyreporting.com</a>	1-866-635-8337	1-800-438-1985

You may also be given an option to enroll in v-safe. V-safe is a new voluntary smartphone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to check in with people who have been vaccinated to identify potential side effects after COVID-19 vaccination. V-safe asks questions that help CDC monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines. V-safe also provides second-dose reminders if needed and live telephone follow-up by CDC if participants report a significant health impact following COVID-19 vaccination. For more information on how to sign up, visit: [www.cdc.gov/vsafe](http://www.cdc.gov/vsafe).

#### **WHAT IF I DECIDE NOT TO GET COMIRNATY (COVID-19 VACCINE, mRNA) OR THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Under the EUA, it is your choice to receive or not receive the vaccine. Should you decide not to receive it, it will not change your standard medical care.

#### **ARE OTHER CHOICES AVAILABLE FOR PREVENTING COVID-19 BESIDES COMIRNATY (COVID-19 VACCINE, mRNA) OR THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Other vaccines to prevent COVID-19 may be available under Emergency Use Authorization.

#### **CAN I RECEIVE THE COMIRNATY (COVID-19 VACCINE, mRNA) OR PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE AT THE SAME TIME AS OTHER VACCINES?**

Data have not yet been submitted to FDA on administration of COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) or the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine at the same time with other vaccines. If you are considering receiving COMIRNATY (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) or the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine with other vaccines, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

#### **WHAT IF I AM IMMUNOCOMPROMISED?**

If you are immunocompromised, you may receive a third dose of the vaccine. The third dose may still not provide full immunity to COVID-19 in people who are

immunocompromised, and you should continue to maintain physical precautions to help prevent COVID-19. In addition, your close contacts should be vaccinated as appropriate.

**WHAT IF I AM PREGNANT OR BREASTFEEDING?**

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

**WILL THE VACCINE GIVE ME COVID-19?**

No. The vaccine does not contain SARS-CoV-2 and cannot give you COVID-19.


**KEEP YOUR VACCINATION CARD**

When you get your first dose, you will get a vaccination card to show you when to return for your next dose(s) of the vaccine. Remember to bring your card when you return.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

If you have questions, visit the website or call the telephone number provided below.

To access the most recent Fact Sheets, please scan the QR code provided below.

Global website	Telephone number
<p data-bbox="315 999 620 1029"><a href="http://www.cvdvaccine.com">www.cvdvaccine.com</a></p> 	<p data-bbox="951 1073 1221 1140">1-877-829-2619 (1-877-VAX-CO19)</p>

**HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?**

- Ask the vaccination provider.
- Visit CDC at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html>.
- Visit FDA at <https://www.fda.gov/emergency-preparedness-and-response/mcm-legal-regulatory-and-policy-framework/emergency-use-authorization>.
- Contact your local or state public health department.

**WHERE WILL MY VACCINATION INFORMATION BE RECORDED?**

The vaccination provider may include your vaccination information in your state/local jurisdiction’s Immunization Information System (IIS) or other designated system. This will ensure that you receive the same vaccine when you return for the second dose. For more information about IISs visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/iis/about.html>.

**CAN I BE CHARGED AN ADMINISTRATION FEE FOR RECEIPT OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE?**

No. At this time, the provider cannot charge you for a vaccine dose and you cannot be charged an out-of-pocket vaccine administration fee or any other fee if only receiving a

COVID-19 vaccination. However, vaccination providers may seek appropriate reimbursement from a program or plan that covers COVID-19 vaccine administration fees for the vaccine recipient (private insurance, Medicare, Medicaid, Health Resources & Services Administration [HRSA] COVID-19 Uninsured Program for non-insured recipients).

#### **WHERE CAN I REPORT CASES OF SUSPECTED FRAUD?**

Individuals becoming aware of any potential violations of the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program requirements are encouraged to report them to the Office of the Inspector General, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, at 1-800-HHS-TIPS or <https://TIPS.HHS.GOV>.

#### **WHAT IS THE COUNTERMEASURES INJURY COMPENSATION PROGRAM?**

The Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP) is a federal program that may help pay for costs of medical care and other specific expenses of certain people who have been seriously injured by certain medicines or vaccines, including this vaccine. Generally, a claim must be submitted to the CICP within one (1) year from the date of receiving the vaccine. To learn more about this program, visit [www.hrsa.gov/cicp/](http://www.hrsa.gov/cicp/) or call 1-855-266-2427.

#### **WHAT IS AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA)?**

An Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) is a mechanism to facilitate the availability and use of medical products, including vaccines, during public health emergencies, such as the current COVID-19 pandemic. An EUA is supported by a Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declaration that circumstances exist to justify the emergency use of drugs and biological products during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The FDA may issue an EUA when certain criteria are met, which includes that there are no adequate, approved, available alternatives. In addition, the FDA decision is based on the totality of scientific evidence available showing that the product may be effective to prevent COVID-19 during the COVID-19 pandemic and that the known and potential benefits of the product outweigh the known and potential risks of the product. All of these criteria must be met to allow for the product to be used in the treatment of patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

This EUA for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine and COMIRNATY will end when the Secretary of HHS determines that the circumstances justifying the EUA no longer exist or when there is a change in the approval status of the product such that an EUA is no longer needed.



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	Pfizer-BioNTech		Moderna	Janssen
<b>Age groups</b>	5 through 11 years of age	12 years of age and older	18 years of age and older	18 years of age and older
<b>Vaccine type</b>	mRNA		mRNA	Replication-incompetent adenovirus type 26 vector
<b>Dose</b>	10 µg (orange cap)	30 µg (purple cap)	100 µg (primary series and additional primary dose) 50 µg (booster dose)	5×10 <sup>10</sup> viral particles
<b>Dosage (volume)</b>	0.2 mL	0.3 mL	0.5 mL (primary series and additional primary dose) 0.25 mL (booster dose)	0.5 mL
<b>Number of doses in primary series</b>	2		2	1
<b>Interval between primary series doses</b>	3 weeks (21 days)		1 month (28 days)	N/A
<b>Additional primary dose for moderately or severely immunocompromised persons</b>	Currently not authorized or recommended for this age group	Recommended at least 28 days after the 2nd dose of the primary series for <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid-19-vax-immunocompromised">moderately and severely immunocompromised people</a> 12 years of age and older ( <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid-19-vax-immunocompromised">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid-19-vax-immunocompromised</a> ) Use the same vaccine product as the primary series See information below about a booster dose.		Not authorized as an additional primary dose. See information below about a booster dose.
<b>Booster dose</b>	Currently not recommended for this age group	A booster dose, at least 6 months after the last dose of a COVID-19 mRNA vaccine primary series (i.e., after the 2nd dose, or the additional primary dose for moderately or severely immunocompromised persons), should be given to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Persons aged 50 years and older</li> <li>Residents of long-term care settings aged 18 years and older</li> </ul> A booster dose, at least 6 months after the last dose of a COVID-19 mRNA vaccine primary series (i.e., after the 2nd dose, or the additional primary dose for moderately or severely immunocompromised persons), may be given to all other persons aged 18 years and older based on their individual benefits and risks.  For moderately and severely immunocompromised persons, the booster dose may be given after an additional (3rd) primary series dose (for a total of 4 doses) For additional information, see Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines Currently Approved or Authorized in the United States <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid19-vax-immunocompromised">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid19-vax-immunocompromised</a>  The booster dose may be a different vaccine product than the primary series.		A single booster dose should be administered to all people 18 years and older who received a primary single-dose Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine*  A moderately or severely immunocompromised person who received a primary Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine should not receive more than 1 booster dose (total of 2 doses)  The booster may be a different vaccine product than the primary series
<b>Interval between primary and booster doses</b>	n/a	At least 6 calendar months after completing the primary series or additional primary dose (for moderately or severely immunocompromised)	At least 6 calendar months after receiving the primary series or additional primary dose (for moderately or severely immunocompromised)	At least 2 months (8 weeks) after receiving the primary dose

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<b>Interchangeability of vaccines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Primary series doses and additional primary dose (for moderately and severely compromised people) should be with the same mRNA vaccine product. In exceptional situations for people <math>\geq 18</math> years, such as a contraindication to a second dose of mRNA vaccine or when a previous dose product cannot be determined or is not available, another mRNA FDA- approved or -authorized COVID-19 vaccine may be used (administer at a minimum interval of 28 days).</li> <li>The Pfizer-BioNTech formulation for children aged 5-11 years (orange cap) is not interchangeable with the Pfizer-BioNTech formulation for people aged <math>\geq 12</math> years (purple cap).</li> <li>Any FDA-approved or -authorized COVID-19 vaccine can be used for the booster dose. When a different product is used, the eligible population and dosing intervals are those of the vaccine used for the primary series. (<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#Interchangeability">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#Interchangeability</a>).<sup>†</sup></li> </ul>
<b>Coadministration with other vaccines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID-19 vaccines may be administered without regard to timing of other vaccines, including simultaneous administration.</li> </ul>
<b>Persons with prior or current COVID-19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID-19 vaccines can be given safely to people with prior SARS-CoV-2 infection</li> <li>Defer vaccination until person has recovered from the acute illness and <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html">criteria</a> have been met for them to discontinue isolation (<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/disposition-in-home-patients.html</a>)</li> </ul>
<b>Multisystem inflammatory syndrome (MIS-C and MIS-A)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID-19 vaccines can be given; however, a conversation between the patient, guardian, and clinical team to discuss benefits and risks of receiving a COVID-19 vaccine is encouraged.</li> </ul>
<b>Persons who received monoclonal antibodies or convalescent plasma for COVID-19 treatment or post-exposure prophylaxis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For post-exposure prophylaxis: defer COVID-19 vaccination for 30 days</li> <li>For COVID-19 treatment: defer COVID-19 vaccination for 90 days</li> </ul>
<b>Persons with a known SARS-CoV-2 exposure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>COVID-19 vaccine not recommended for community outbreaks or post-exposure prophylaxis.</li> <li>People in community or outpatient setting should defer vaccination until <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html">quarantine period</a> has ended (<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/if-you-are-sick/quarantine.html</a>)</li> <li>Residents or patients in congregate settings may be vaccinated if they do not have <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html">symptoms consistent with COVID-19</a> (<a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html">https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html</a>)</li> </ul>
<b>Women aged &lt;50 years Risk of thrombosis with thrombocytopenia syndrome (TTS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can receive any FDA-authorized or approved vaccine but should be informed of risk of TTS after receipt of Janssen (Johnson &amp; Johnson) COVID-19 Vaccine and the availability of other COVID-19 vaccine options*</li> </ul>
<b>History of heparin-induced thrombocytopenia (HIT)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If within 90 days of illness, offer an mRNA vaccine, vaccinate with any FDA-authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine, including Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine</li> </ul>
<b>Persons with underlying conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May receive COVID-19 vaccine</li> </ul>
<b>Persons receiving HCT and CAR-T-cell therapy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If received doses of COVID-19 vaccine prior to receiving an HCT or CAR-T cell therapy, should be revaccinated with a primary series at least 3 months (12 weeks) after transplant or CAR-T-cell therapy</li> </ul>
<b>Persons with a history of myocarditis or pericarditis</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If myocarditis or pericarditis occurred after a dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Until additional safety data are available, experts advise that people who develop myocarditis or pericarditis after a dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine not receive a subsequent dose of any COVID-19 vaccine.</li> <li>This decision should include a conversation between the patient and their clinical team.</li> <li>A subsequent dose can be considered in certain circumstances including personal risk of severe COVID-19 and level of community transmission. Considerations can be found at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-pfizer-biontech-moderna">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-pfizer-biontech-moderna</a></li> <li>If a history of myocarditis or pericarditis unrelated to an mRNA COVID vaccination, may receive COVID-19 vaccine after the episode has completely resolved.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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<b>Persons with a history of Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Can receive any FDA-authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine; however, discuss the availability of mRNA vaccines because of possible association between GBS and Janssen COVID-19 vaccination.</li> </ul>
<b>Pregnant or breastfeeding people or people trying to get pregnant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are recommended to receive a COVID-19 vaccine primary series, "additional primary dose (if indicated) and booster dose", inform of risk of TTS after receipt of Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine and the availability of other options</li> </ul>
<b>Children and adolescents</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children and adolescents aged 5-17 are ONLY eligible for Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine</li> <li>Children aged 5-11 years - 10 ug (0.2mL dosage) Pfizer-BioNTech (orange cap)</li> <li>Adolescents aged ≥ 12 years - 30ug (0.3 mL dosage) Pfizer-BioNTech (purple cap)</li> <li>Adolescents and adults aged 18 years and older are eligible for all COVID-19 vaccine product</li> <li>Additional primary doses are not recommended at this time for children &lt;12 years of age who are moderately or severely immunocompromised.</li> <li><b>Booster doses</b> are not recommended for people &lt;18 years of age <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid19-vax-booster">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#considerations-covid19-vax-booster</a></li> <li>Because of the risk of syncope, especially in adolescents, recipients should be observed for 15 minutes after vaccination</li> </ul>
<b>Persons vaccinated outside the United States</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who received all recommended doses of an FDA-authorized or FDA-approved COVID-19 vaccine are considered fully vaccinated. If only 1 dose of a 2-dose vaccine has been received, provide the second dose as close to the recommended time as possible.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People who are moderately and severely compromised should receive an additional dose at least 28 days after completion of their primary series.</li> <li>People who completed a primary series (and additional primary dose for moderately or severely immunocompromised people), follow booster guidance on page 1.</li> </ul> </li> <li>People who received all of the recommended doses of a World Health Organization Emergency Use Listing (WHO-EUL) COVID-19 vaccine not FDA-approved or FDA-authorized, or people who completed a heterologous (mix and match) series composed of any combination of FDA-approved, FDA-authorized, or WHO-EUL COVID-19 vaccines are considered fully vaccinated.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should receive an additional primary dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine (30 µg formulation [purple cap]) at least 28 days after completion of the second vaccine dose of the primary series, if moderately or severely immunocompromised and at least 12 years of age.</li> <li>Are eligible to receive a single booster dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine at least 6 months after completing the primary series, if at least 18 years of age.</li> </ul> </li> <li>People who received only the first dose of a multidose WHO-EUL COVID-19 primary series that is not FDA-approved or FDA-authorized, or who received all or some of the recommended doses of a COVID-19 vaccine primary series that is not listed for emergency use by WHO:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should be offered a complete FDA-authorized or FDA-approved COVID-19 vaccine primary series, with a minimum interval of at least 28 days since recipient of the last dose of vaccine.</li> <li>Are considered fully vaccinated after completion of primary vaccination and are not recommended to receive an additional primary dose or booster dose at this time.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Contraindications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) after a previous dose or to component of the COVID-19 vaccine</li> <li>Contradiction to one type of COVID-19 vaccines (mRNA) is a precaution to other types of COVID-19 vaccines (Janssen)</li> </ul>
<b>Precaution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Immediate (within 4 hours exposure) non-severe allergic reaction to a previous dose or known (diagnosed) allergy to a component of the vaccine</li> <li>Immediate allergic reaction to any other vaccine or injectable therapy (i.e., intramuscular, intravenous, or subcutaneous vaccines or therapies [excluding subcutaneous immunotherapy for allergies, i.e., "allergy shots"])</li> </ul>
<b>Post-vaccination observation periods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>30 minutes:</b> people with a history of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A contraindication to another type of COVID-19 vaccine product (i.e., mRNA or viral vector COVID-19 vaccines)</li> <li>Immediate (within 4 hours of exposure) non-severe allergic reaction to a COVID-19 vaccine</li> <li>Immediate allergic reaction of any severity to a non-COVID-19 vaccine or injectable therapies</li> <li>Anaphylaxis due to any cause</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>15 minutes:</b> all other persons</li> </ul>
<b>SARS-CoV-2 antibody testing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Antibody testing not recommended for vaccine decision-making or to assess immunity following vaccination</li> </ul>

\*Any person who develops TTS after a Janssen primary dose should NOT get a Janssen booster.

† Although CDC provides considerations for a mixed series in exceptional circumstances for a primary or additional primary dose (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/clinical-considerations.html#interchangeability>), this is still considered an administration error that requires VAERS reporting. Heterologous booster doses are allowed and are not considered a vaccine error.