



# Ages 12 and older are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine

## Protect your kids and help end the pandemic

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is now authorized for individuals ages 12 and older. Clinical trials indicate the vaccine is highly effective at preventing COVID-19 in this age group. In fact, none of the clinical trial participants who received the vaccine ever became infected with COVID-19.

You may have questions about getting the COVID-19 vaccine for your kids. Talk to your doctor if you have any questions about the COVID-19 vaccines.

### Facts about the vaccine:



**COVID-19 vaccines are safe, even though they were developed quickly.**

The speed of the vaccines' development was a result of cutting red tape and bureaucracy, not cutting corners or bypassing any safety precautions. Scientists around the world have been working on this technology for more than a decade. This is why it was possible to make a safe and effective vaccine very quickly.



**Side effects after getting vaccinated are normal.**

It is common for people to have mild or moderate symptoms or side effects after they get a vaccination. This means the vaccine is working and your body is starting to create an immune response and learning to fight the virus.

**Serious side effects are extremely rare after vaccination.**



**COVID-19 vaccines don't give you COVID-19.**

COVID-19 vaccines don't contain any part of the virus, so it can't cause you to get COVID-19. There is no viral shedding from the vaccines because the vaccine is not a live virus. The vaccine protects you from COVID-19, it does NOT make you spread the virus.



**COVID-19 vaccines have not been linked to infertility or miscarriage.**

There is absolutely no data showing that any of the COVID-19 vaccines cause infertility or miscarriages. It's also not biologically possible that the tiny spike on the spike protein can puncture the uterine lining and cause bleeding. The mRNA vaccines do NOT interact with your DNA or cause genetic changes because the mRNA does not enter the nucleus of the cell, which is where our DNA is kept.

To find a vaccine near you, visit [coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine](https://coronavirus.utah.gov/vaccine).