Common questions about COVID-19 vaccines

What are the side effects of COVID-19 vaccines?
It is common for people to have mild or moderate symptoms or side effects after they get a vaccination. Mild or moderate symptoms include things like a fever or redness around an injection site. There is usually no reason to worry if you get mild to moderate symptoms a few days after getting vaccinated. This means your body has started working to create an immune response and is learning to fight the disease.

How much will the COVID-19 vaccine cost?
COVID-19 vaccine doses purchased with U.S. taxpayer dollars will be given to everyone at no cost. If you have insurance, vaccine providers may bill your insurance an administrative fee for giving, or administering, the vaccine. But nobody should be denied a vaccine if you can’t afford to pay.

Do I have to be a US citizen, US resident, or need to have a visa to get vaccinated?
No. Your immigration status won’t keep you from getting vaccinated. Your personal information is confidential and protected by law. If you are in one of the risk category groups getting vaccinated right now, contact your employer or your local health department for more information. You may need to show proof you work there right now, like your work badge.
Do I need an ID to get the vaccine?
Some vaccine providers will only ask you to show the email confirmation you got after you registered for your vaccine appointment, but other providers may ask you to show a photo ID at your appointment.

We only use your personal information for 2 things:

1. To make sure you are old enough to get vaccinated.

2. To make sure we are vaccinating the correct person. We have to make sure the name of the person getting vaccinated matches the name on the appointment. You will need a 2nd dose of the vaccine a few weeks after your first one. All of the paperwork has to match so we can make sure there aren’t any problems when you come to get your 2nd dose.

We don’t share your information with law enforcement or immigration officials.
You can use different types of photo ID at most vaccine providers. They will just need an ID that has your photo, name, and birthdate. You may need to bring a different type of proof you live in the county, like a gas or utility bill, if your ID doesn’t have your address on it. Check with your local health department or the vaccine provider if you have any questions.

If you’re getting vaccinated by your employer, you may have to show proof you work there right now, like your work badge.

For more information about COVID-19, COVID-19 vaccines, or when and where you can get vaccinated, visit https://coronavirus.utah.gov/. You can sign up on the website to get updates when new vaccine information is available.

If you have questions about COVID-19 or vaccines, call the COVID-19 hotline at 385-273-7878. The hotline has caring health professionals who can help answer your questions and find resources near you. It’s available 24/7 in more than 100 languages.