

Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19): COVID-19 Vaccine Myths & Facts

Is it safe to get the COVID-19 vaccine if I want to have a baby one day?

Yes, it is safe. **The COVID-19 vaccine will not cause problems with pregnancy or make it harder to get pregnant.** No vaccine causes infertility. You do not need to wait to get pregnant after getting vaccinated.

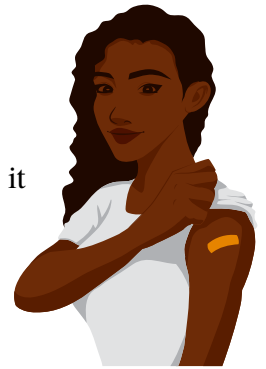


Will the COVID-19 vaccine change my DNA?

No. **The COVID vaccines do not change or interact with your DNA.** They give instructions to our cells to start building protection against COVID-19. The vaccine does not enter the nucleus of the cell (where DNA lives). Once your body uses the instructions from the vaccine, your cells get rid of the rest.

Is the COVID-19 vaccine safe even though it was made so quickly?

The COVID-19 vaccine is safe. The technology used to make these vaccines has existed for many years. It was developed quickly because many scientists dedicated their time and because it was urgently needed. All lab and clinical trials were done according to the rules and the FDA continues to watch the vaccines for safety. The Pfizer vaccine has been fully approved by the FDA.



Can the COVID-19 vaccine make me sick with COVID-19?

No. None of the vaccines contain the live COVID-19 virus. This means that a **COVID-19 vaccine cannot make you sick with COVID-19.** You may have side effects like headaches, arm pain, and fatigue after the vaccine.

If I already was sick with COVID-19, do I still need the vaccine?

Yes. Natural immunity after having COVID-19 only lasts a short time, and people can become reinfected. Also, there are now many variants of COVID-19 (new forms of the virus). Just because you have natural immunity from being sick with COVID-19 in the past does not mean you have immunity against the Delta variant, which is stronger and spreads faster than other variants.

Is it safe to breastfeed after getting the COVID-19 vaccine?

Yes, it is safe to breastfeed. There is no evidence that breastfeeding after being vaccinated is harmful to a baby. Some research even shows that getting vaccinated and then breastfeeding can help protect your baby from COVID-19.



Does the COVID-19 vaccine contain a tracking device?

No, the COVID-19 vaccine does not contain a tracking device or microchip. This false rumor started after comments about digital vaccine records. Digital vaccine records have been used for years to help patients and doctors keep track of the vaccines they have received. Digital vaccine records are just a part of your normal electronic medical records, there is no tracking device in the vaccines you receive.