

There are three vaccines currently available in the United States to prevent COVID-19:

- The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine, an mRNA vaccine that requires two doses. You are considered to be fully vaccinated 2 weeks after your second dose.
- The Moderna vaccine, an mRNA vaccine that requires two doses. You are considered to be fully vaccinated 2 weeks after your second dose.
- The Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine, a viral vector vaccine that requires just one dose. You are considered to be fully vaccinated 2 weeks after that dose.

COVID-19 Vaccine Myths vs. Facts

Talk to your
pharmacist or other
trusted health care
professional if you
have any questions or
need more information
about COVID-19
vaccines.



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There are many myths and rumors about these COVID-19 vaccines. Here are the facts.

Can any of the vaccines make someone sick with COVID-19?

No, they can't. None of the COVID-19 vaccines available in the United States, or any of the vaccines currently in development, contain the live virus that causes COVID-19. If the vaccine does not contain live virus, it cannot make you sick with COVID-19.

Can any of the vaccines make you test positive for COVID-19?

COVID-19 vaccines can't give a positive result on a *viral* test. Viral tests tell you if you have a current infection. The vaccines can't make you sick with COVID-19, so it wouldn't be possible for you to test positive.

It is possible that you could test positive on some *antibody* tests. That's because antibody tests look for a past COVID-19 infection based on the natural immunity that develops. If your body has an immune response to vaccination—which is the goal—it could be confused with a past infection on an antibody test.

Could a COVID-19 vaccine alter your DNA?

No. COVID-19 vaccines do not change or interact with your DNA in any way.

Can any of the COVID-19 vaccines cause fertility problems (problems trying to get pregnant) in women or men?

No. There is no evidence that the antibodies made following COVID-19 vaccination, or any of the ingredients in the vaccines, cause any problems with becoming pregnant now or in the future. In fact, there is no evidence that *any* vaccines cause fertility problems.

Will a COVID-19 vaccine make you magnetic?

No. COVID-19 vaccines do not contain any ingredients that could produce an electromagnetic field at the site of your injection. They also do not contain any magnetic metals.

Do any of the COVID-19 vaccines contain microchips or tracking devices?

No. COVID-19 vaccines do not contain microchips. Vaccines are developed to fight against disease and are not administered to track your movement.

Can you get a COVID-19 vaccine if you don't have health insurance?

Yes. The federal government is providing the vaccine free of charge to all people living in the United States, regardless of their health insurance status or immigration status.

