

# COVID-19 VACCINE

## Latest Updates & Resources



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### BOOSTER NEWS

#### Moderna and Johnson & Johnson

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued guidance for Moderna and Johnson & Johnson [COVID-19 vaccine boosters](#) after the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) earlier this month.

**Moderna (half dose) and Pfizer:** 6 months after completion of primary series:

- Age 65+
- Age 18+: Anyone with risk of severe COVID
  - Those who live in [long-term care settings](#) or who have [underlying medical conditions](#)
    - ◻ IDOH expects all long-term care facilities to administer booster doses by Nov. 30
- Age 18+: Anyone who works or lives in a [high-risk setting](#).

**Johnson & Johnson:** Full dose, 2 months after completion of primary series:

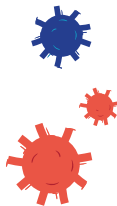
- Anyone age 18+

Read more information about the boosters in the FDA's [news release](#).

**NOTE:** IDOH continues to update its vaccine appointment system to the new booster guidelines. If you aren't able to make an appointment for the vaccine you'd like to receive, either walk in to a site with that vaccine or call 211 (866-211-9966).

### VACCINES VS. NATURAL IMMUNITY

If you've had COVID-19,  
... and you're vaccinated, your odds of becoming reinfected are **1 in 2,416**.  
... and you are not vaccinated, your odds of becoming reinfected are **1 in 369**.



To date, **3,357,373** Hoosiers have been fully vaccinated!

### MORE BOOSTER NEWS

#### Mixing and matching vaccine types

The CDC recently authorized the mixing and matching of vaccine types for COVID-19 boosters. The Indiana Department of Health (IDOH) designed an easy-to-read [mixed dosing chart](#) with all the details.



Mixed dosing is authorized for COVID-19 vaccine boosters.



### PFIZER NEWS for YOUNG KIDS

On Oct 26, the FDA's Vaccines and Related Biologics

Committee recommended the use of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for children ages 5-11. The next step is for the FDA to issue an EUA. The CDC's Advisory Committee

for Immunization Practices will meet on Nov. 2-3 and could issue recommendations soon after. You can watch that meeting live [HERE](#). Check [OurShot.IN.gov](#) for updates.



### IMS EXTENDED

#### IndyCar parking lot, 4551 W. 16th St., Indy

The vaccine clinic at Indianapolis Motor Speedway has been extended through Nov. 20, but with new hours of operation.

**Starting Nov. 2, the IMS clinic will be open from 4-8 p.m.**

**Tuesday – Friday and 8 a.m. to noon Saturdays.** This clinic offers all three COVID-19 vaccines plus the flu vaccine. Vaccine for ages 5-11 will be available once recommended by the CDC, which is expected next week. Drive up or schedule an appointment at [OurShot.IN.gov](#), where you'll find more than 1,000 vaccine sites.



### Helpful Resources

- What you can do if you are [fully vaccinated](#).
- Know a homebound individual who needs a vaccine? Call 211. Agents can help.
- Get proof of vaccination at [Access Indiana](#). Look for "Indiana Vaccination Portal".
- Register for a vaccination appointment at [OurShot.IN.gov](#) (*Chrome or Firefox*). Call Indiana 211 or (1-866-211-9966) if you have difficulty registering online.
- Free rides to vaccine clinics are offered by IU Health. Call 1.888.IUHEALTH (1.888.484.3258) and choose option 9.
  - Free rides are also available to vaccination appointments at select [Kroger locations](#). You will receive a code to use for Lyft ridesharing service with your appointment confirmation.
- [Learn about V-Safe](#), the after-vaccination health checker, and the new [V-safe COVID-19 Pregnancy Registry](#).
- V-safe is also available now in [multiple languages](#).
- Report any adverse effects from any vaccine to the [Vaccine Adverse Effect Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#).