

COVID-19 VACCINE

Latest Updates & Resources



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J & J VACCINE: BACK IN USE

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and U.S. Food and Drug Administration [lifted its recommended pause of the Johnson & Johnson's \(Janssen\) COVID-19 vaccine](#). The Indiana Department of Health supports administering J&J with a caution about a rare but serious adverse event noted in the new vaccine [fact sheet](#). This reaction, a specific type of blood clot combined with low platelet levels, has affected approximately two in 1 million people, and women age 50 and younger were specifically noted in the advisory.

Seek medical attention if you experience:

- Severe or persistent headaches or blurred vision
- Shortness of breath
- Chest pain
- Leg swelling
- Persistent abdominal pain
- Easy bruising or tiny blood spots under the skin beyond the site of the injection



WALK-IN CLINICS STATEWIDE

Patrons without an appointment can now receive a COVID-19 vaccine at hundreds of clinics across the state. Visit the map at [OurShot.IN.gov](#) to find a clinic near you. Appointments are still needed at pharmacies.

Rideshare services Lyft & Uber offering free rides to vaccine clinics

- **LYFT:** Through a partnership with IU Health, arrange your free Lyft by calling 1.888.484.3258 and select option 9. An operator will arrange a Lyft ride for your appointment.
- **UBER:** Call 211 (or 1-866-211-9966) and agents will arrange for you to receive a voucher for a free ride. *(NOTE: Free Uber rides are not available for all clinics. 211 will advise.)*

BUSINESS NEWS

If your business is interested in learning more about hosting a vaccination clinic for your employees, email Business_IndustryVax@isdh.in.gov

If your business employs fewer than 500 employees, you are entitled to tax credits for providing paid leave to employees who take time off related to COVID-19 vaccinations. [Read the details from the IRS.](#)



To date, **1,798,858** Hoosiers have been fully vaccinated!

UPDATES from MASS VACCINATION CLINICS

The Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS) is offering both Johnson & Johnson and Pfizer* vaccines through Friday, April 30. IMS is also hosting FAMILY DAY Friday to encourage people to bring their children ages 16 and 17 to be vaccinated. Hours both days are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. [Appointments are preferred](#), but drive-ups are accepted. IMS is at 4790 W 16th St., Indianapolis. (Please use Gate #2.)

Starting today, with either an [appointment](#) or a walk-in visit, the **FEMA vaccine clinic at Roosevelt Park in Gary** will offer the one-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine, along with the two-dose Pfizer*. Walk-in entrance is at 730 W. 25th Ave., Gary; drive through entrance at 2401 Harrison St., Gary. Hours are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and the clinic runs through June 2.



FEMA clinic, Roosevelt Park, Gary

*(*Pfizer is approved for 16- and 17-year olds.)*

Helpful Resources

- **UPDATED:** What you can do if you are [fully vaccinated](#).
- Proof of vaccination is available at [Access Indiana](#). Scroll down to the "Indiana Vaccination Portal" tile, create an account, and download a vaccination certificate.
- Register for a vaccination appointment and stay up to date at [OurShot.IN.gov](#) (*Chrome or Firefox*). Call Indiana 211 or 1-866-211-9966 if you have difficulty registering online.
- [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](#).
- [Indiana Area Agencies on Aging](#) and AARP offices are assisting seniors making their vaccine appointments.
- Report any adverse effects from any vaccine to the [Vaccine Adverse Effect Reporting System \(VAERS\)](#).