Get vaccinated! Pfizer vaccine approved for children ages 12-15

The Pfizer vaccine will help keep you safe.

The FDA has issued an extension of the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) allowing use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 12 years of age and older. COVID-19 vaccine can be given at the same time as other routine vaccinations.

COVID-19 vaccination is an important tool to help us get back to normal.

The vaccines teach our bodies how to recognize and fight the virus that causes COVID-19. In an ongoing clinical trial, the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine has been shown to be up to 100 percent effective at preventing COVID-19 following 2 doses given 3 weeks apart. Fully vaccinated is defined as two weeks past your second dose of the Pfizer vaccine.



Go to school!

When you go back to school in the fall, the school year will be more normal. If you are fully vaccinated you won't have to miss important lessons or tests to quarantine if you're a close contact of someone with COVID-19 as long as you remain symptom-free.

Play sports!

No more missing games, practices or other extra-curriculars! You won't be sidelined from your favorite activities if you are fully vaccinated, so long as you don't develop symptoms.



What changes once you are fully vaccinated:

- You can gather indoors with other fully vaccinated friends and family without wearing a mask.
- If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to quarantine as long as you remain symptom-free.
- You don't need to wear a mask as outlined by the CDC, except in select state government facilities, COVID-19 testing and vaccination sites, and as required by local authorities, healthcare facilities and schools.

Experts are still researching things like how long the protection from the vaccine lasts and if it prevents you from giving the disease to other people and will update the guidance for vaccinated people as we get new information.

Prevent COVID-19

Children can get sick with COVID-19 and spread the virus to others, even if they don't have symptoms. Most children with COVID-19 have mild symptoms or have no symptoms at all. However, some children can get severely ill from COVID-19. They might require hospitalization, intensive care, or a ventilator to help them breathe. In rare cases, they might die. Experts are also investigating a rare but serious medical condition associated with COVID-19 in children called



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Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C). The National Institutes of Health estimate that 11-15% of children infected with COVID-19 develop long-term symptoms.





