

What LTCF Residents Want to Know

FAST FACTS VACCINATION READY

Q. Why Should I get vaccinated?

A: Getting vaccinated protects yourself, your family and those that are around you. It helps stop the spread in the community and keeps those around you safe.

Q. What if I am not able to sign the COVID 19 Consent Form?

A: Walgreens has shared that facilities/communities should follow standard procedures and that they would accept verbal consent

Q. Will residents and staff be charged for vaccine?

A: No, the vaccine and administration during the public health emergency are free to anyone who receives it.

Q. Is getting the vaccine safe?

A: Yes – The FDA analysis of the vaccine’s safety and effectiveness on people aged 16 and older found “no specific safety concerns” that would preclude the vaccine’s use.

Q. Do I need a vaccine if I have had COVID-19?

A: It is recommended that all individuals should receive the COVID 19 vaccine unless the person currently has COVID-19 infection.

Q. Do I have to get the vaccine?

A: No, the COVID 19 vaccine is not required. The CDC does highly recommend getting the COVID 19 vaccine once it is available.

Q. Do I still need to wear a mask after receiving the COVID 19 vaccine?

A: Yes, It is important to continue with precautions such as mask-wearing and physical distancing until those precautions are lifted by the CDC.

Q. Will I have symptoms after getting the vaccine?

A: Individuals may experience mild symptoms, such as a headache or fever, but these generally only last 1-2 days. These symptoms are a sign that your immune system is doing exactly what is it supposed to do. **Note: Some potential side effects may mimic symptoms.**

Q. Could I still get COVID 19 if I took the vaccine?

A: It is possible that you may still become infected with Coronavirus after taking the COVID 19 vaccine. Though the rate of efficacy of the COVID 19 vaccines is high.

Q. What if I do not get the second dose in time?

A: There is a grace period of 4 days for the second dose being given earlier (on Days 17-21). If more than 21 days have elapsed since the first dose, the second dose should be given at the earliest opportunity; the series does not need to be repeated.

Q. What if I get COVID 19 between vaccine doses?

A: The second dose should also be deferred if a person contracts COVID until the person has recovered from the acute illness (if the person had symptoms) and criteria have been met for them to discontinue isolation. The series does not need to be repeated

Q. Will getting the COVID 19 vaccine give me COVID 19?

A: A person will not get COVID 19 as a result of the COVID 19 vaccine.

Q. Can I switch my COVID 19 vaccine between doses?

A: People should complete the series with the same product. It is not interchangeable with other vaccines currently under review.

Q. Can I get other vaccines at the same time as getting the COVID 19 vaccine?

A: No, you cannot get other vaccines at the same time as getting the COVID 19 vaccine, and you should not receive the COVID 19 vaccine within 14 days of another vaccine.