

COVID-19 VACCINATION MYTHS VS. FACTS

I GOT
MY COVID-19
VACCINE!



<p>MYTH: <i>The vaccines are unsafe because they were developed too quickly.</i></p>	<p>FACT: The COVID-19 vaccines have gone through a similar approval process by the Food and Drug Administration as other vaccines and have been found to be safe and effective.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>I'm not at risk for having serious complications from COVID-19 so I don't need the vaccine.</i></p>	<p>FACT: People with mental illness may be more at risk for serious complications from COVID-19. But regardless of your risk, you can still get COVID-19 and spread it to others. Getting vaccinated protects you, your family and your community from getting the disease and possibly dying or becoming seriously ill.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>I already had COVID-19 so I don't need the vaccine.</i></p>	<p>FACT: Experts do not know yet if someone who has had COVID-19 is protected from getting sick again. Therefore, it is highly recommended that you get the vaccine even if you have had COVID-19.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>After I get the vaccine, I won't have to wear a mask</i></p>	<p>FACT: It is true that fully vaccinated people can meet with other fully vaccinated people without wearing masks. However, when in public it is important to continue to wear a mask, wash your hands and social distance.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>You can get COVID-19 from the vaccine.</i></p>	<p>FACT: You cannot get COVID-19 from the vaccine because it doesn't contain the live virus.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>The COVID-19 vaccine has severe side effects such as allergic reactions.</i></p>	<p>FACT: Some people do experience side effects, much like those of other vaccines. These include muscle pain, chills and headache. In very rare cases, people can have allergic reactions. People with a history of severe allergic reactions should talk to their doctor before getting the vaccine.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>The COVID-19 vaccine will change my DNA.</i></p>	<p>FACT: The COVID-19 vaccine works by teaching your body's immune system how to recognize the COVID-19 virus and how to fight the virus so it doesn't make you sick. This does nothing to your body's DNA.</p>
<p>MYTH: <i>Now that we have vaccines, the pandemic will be over very soon.</i></p>	<p>FACT: It is going to take a long time before enough people are vaccinated to begin seeing a significant drop in cases</p>