

I heard the health department has COVID-19 Vaccines, when can I get one?

- We have a **LIMITED** number of vaccines to vaccinate residences that are 65 and older.
- We do not have a date when we will receive enough vaccines to begin distributing to the public.

How will I know when and where the vaccine is available?

- Depending on vaccine availability, the health department will provide public vaccine clinics. We will use social media, radio and newspaper ads announcing our vaccine events.

How much will the vaccine cost?

- COVID-19 Vaccines will be available to anyone requesting them without cost.

Will I be required to take the COVID-19 vaccination?

- No, there is no requirement that one must take the vaccine, although it is highly recommended. Based on what we know about vaccines for other diseases, experts believe that getting the COVID-19 vaccine may help keep you from getting seriously ill even if you do get COVID-19. Getting vaccinated yourself may also protect people around you, particularly people at increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

What vaccines are available?

- At this point the health department has received the Moderna vaccine. The Vaccination requires two injections 28 days apart.

What are the side effects of the COVID-19 Vaccine?

- Vaccinations are administered in the upper arm through injection. The FDA reports side effects might include pain at the injection site, tiredness, headache, muscle pain, chills, joint pain, fever, injection site swelling, injection site redness, nausea, vomiting and fever.

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- It is important to note that the side effects are a sign of your immune system working and not a sign that the vaccine is unsafe and or developing an infection of COVID-19.
- It is important to note that the FDA does not currently advise individuals with life-threatening allergies to foods and or medication to receive the vaccination at this time.

How old does my child have to be to get the COVID-19 vaccine?

- The Modern vaccine has been approved for individuals 18 and older. According to Moderna's website, they have currently started clinical trials with patients in the 12-17-year range.

How efficient is the vaccine?

- Moderna reports a 94.1% vaccine efficacy against COVID-19 and 100% effectiveness against severe COVID-19.

Do I need to put my name on a list?

- We are only currently vaccinating those that are 65 who have contacted the health department asking to be placed on a wait list. If you would like to have your name placed on the waitlist call 620-724-6385.
- Call from 8:00 to 4:30. Phone lines are limited and may take a few attempts to get through.