COVID-19 vaccine for kids (6 months and older)

Why get the vaccine?
The vaccine helps kids' natural immune system protect against COVID-19 so they can stay in school and do their regular activities!

Which vaccine?
Children ages 6 months and older get the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine.

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If your child is immunocompromised, talk to a doctor about getting extra vaccine.

What will it feel like?
We have seen fewer side effects in young children than in older children, but some feelings might be:

- Pain on the arm
- Tired
- Headache
- Dizziness
- Chills
- Fever

Kids will feel normal after a few days!

Is the vaccine safe?
- Millions of children and teens have been vaccinated safely for COVID-19.
- Children will also get a lower dose of vaccine than adults.

The COVID vaccine works like other children's vaccines that have kept kids safe and healthy for generations.

To sign a child up for a vaccine, visit vaccinenm.org/kids
What does a vaccine do?

Your body has cells that help you stay healthy.

But the coronavirus will try to sneak into your body and make you feel bad!

The vaccine teaches your cells what the coronavirus looks like.

Now your cells can recognize the virus and help stop it from hurting you!

Your body has protection against getting very sick from the virus. The vaccine has done its job and leaves your body!

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