

**Most Children and All Teens Can Get COVID-19 Vaccines**  
**CDC recommends everyone ages 5 and older get a COVID-19 vaccine to help protect against COVID-19.**

Authorized For	Pfizer-BioNTech	Moderna	J&J / Janssen
4 years and under	NO	NO	NO
5–11 years old	YES	NO	NO
12–17 years old	YES	NO	NO
18 years and older	YES	YES	YES

**Why Children and Teens Should Get Vaccinated for COVID-19**

There are approximately 28 million children between the ages of 5 and 11 years old in the United States, and there have been nearly 2 million cases of COVID-19 within this age group during the pandemic.

COVID-19 can make children very sick and cause children to be hospitalized. In some situations, the complications from infection can lead to death.

Children are as likely to be infected with COVID-19 as adults and can

- Get very sick from COVID-19
- Have both short and long-term health complications from COVID-19
  - Spread COVID-19 to others, including at home and school

As of mid-October 2021, children ages 5 through 11 years have experienced more than 8,300 COVID-19 related hospitalizations and nearly 100 deaths from COVID-19. In fact, COVID-19 ranks as **one of the top 10 causes of death** for children aged 5 through 11 years.

**Booster Shot – Everyone 16 years of age and older can get a booster shot.**

<b>If you Received</b>	<b>Who can get a booster</b>	<b>Who Should Get a Booster</b>	<b>When to get a Booster</b>	<b>Which Booster should you Get?</b>
<b>Pfizer-BioNTech</b>	Teens 16-17 years old	Adults 18 years and older	At least 6 months after completing your primary COVID-19 Vaccination series	-Teens 16-17 years old can get a Pfizer-BioNtech COVID-19 vaccination booster -Adults 18 years and older can get any of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized in the United States

Moderna		Adults 18 years or older	At least 6 months after completing your primary COVID-19 vaccination	Any of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized in the United States
Johnson & Johnson's Janssen		Adults 18 years and older	At least 2 months after completing your primary COVID-19 vaccination	Any of the COVID-19 Vaccines authorized in the United States

### Find COVID-19 Vaccines or Boosters Near You

**Find a COVID-19 vaccine or booster:** Search [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov), text your ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233 to find locations near you.

There are several ways you can look for vaccination providers near you in the United States.

- Visit [Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) to find vaccination providers near you. In some states, information may be limited while more U. S. vaccination providers and pharmacies are being added. Learn more about [COVID-19 Vaccination Locations on Vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov/covid-19-vaccination-locations).
- Text your **ZIP code** to **438829** or call **1-800-232-0233** to find vaccine locations near you in the United States.
- Ask your doctor, pharmacist, or community health center if they provide vaccines.
- **Check your local pharmacy's website to see if vaccination appointments are available.** Find out which pharmacies are participating in the [Federal Retail Pharmacy Program](https://www.fda.gov/oc/2021/04/20/federal-retail-pharmacy-program).
- **Contact your [state health department](#)** to find additional vaccination locations in the area.
- **Check your local news outlets.** They may have information on how to get a vaccination appointment.