## Get Vaccinated to Protect Yourself and Those You Care For from COVID-19



As a direct support provider—personal care attendant, paraprofessional, therapist, caregiver, or other—the care and support you provide helps others maintain a happy and healthy life.

You may work closely with older adults or people with disabilities, many of whom are at high risk of severe illness from COVID-19.

Your close contact increases your risk for getting and spreading COVID-19. This is especially true if your clients are not able to wear a mask or take other safety measures.

Protect yourself, your family, and clients by getting vaccinated. COVID-19 vaccines are free and now widely available in the United States.

Vaccination is the best way to protect yourself and others from COVID-19.

## Questions or concerns about getting vaccinated?

- Talk with your doctor or another healthcare professional about the safety of COVID-19 vaccines and how well they work.
- Attend a town hall meeting sponsored by your workplace, the health department, or another trusted source to hear directly from vaccine experts and get answers to your questions.
- Learn how to find vaccine information you can trust.
   Compare information from other sources with information from CDC.gov (such as <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/vaccine-benefits.html">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/vaccine-benefits.html</a>).
- Ask others about their vaccination experience. Ask trusted coworkers, family, friends, or faith leaders why they decided to get vaccinated and where they were vaccinated.
- Learn more about what you can start doing again after vaccination. People who have been fully vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of COVID-19. Learn more at <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html">www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated.html</a>.

## Already vaccinated? Become a vaccine champion!

- **Share your experience** and your reasons for getting vaccinated with family, friends, and coworkers.
- **Help others get vaccinated** by assisting them with scheduling appointments and answering their questions.
- Learn how to respond to misinformation about COVID-19 vaccines.

## Protect yourself, your family, and your clients by getting vaccinated.

Learn how and where you can get your COVID-19 vaccine at <a href="https://www.vaccines.gov">www.vaccines.gov</a>.

Visit <u>www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/index.html</u> for more information.



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