



## COVID-19 Vaccination Resources

All health care providers can discuss COVID-19 vaccination with their patients, even if they do not offer COVID-19 vaccines. COVID-19 vaccination is recommended for all people age 5 and older, and some patients may be eligible for a third dose or booster shot. Getting vaccinated is easier than ever. Help patients who want a COVID-19 vaccine to get one. Your recommendation is one of the strongest predictors that a patient will get vaccinated.

### Where to get vaccinated:

- All City- and State-run vaccination sites have walk-in services. People can make an appointment at some sites, but appointments are no longer required.
- Many pharmacies have same-day appointments and walk-in services for COVID-19 vaccines.
- Many hospitals, clinics and provider practices offer vaccination. If you are not your patient's primary provider, suggest that they call their primary provider to see if they offer vaccination.
- Vaccinations at home are available to all NYC residents age 5 and older. People can request an at-home vaccination by visiting [nyc.gov/homevaccine](https://nyc.gov/homevaccine) or calling 877-VAX-4NYC (877-829-4692).

### How to find a COVID-19 vaccination site:

- Vaccine Finder lists hundreds of vaccination sites around NYC, including all City- and State-run sites, hundreds of pharmacies, and some hospitals and clinics. Visit [vaccinefinder.nyc.gov](https://vaccinefinder.nyc.gov) and search by address or ZIP code, or use the "near me" feature. You may filter by vaccine product, walk-in sites and wheelchair accessibility. You can select the language using the drop-down in the upper left corner.
- Call 877-829-4692 and press 2 at the second prompt to schedule vaccination appointments for your patients. You can also arrange an at-home vaccination and ask questions. Your patients can call this number to make an appointment and ask questions as well. Interpretation services are available in over 200 languages.
- Fill out a short request form (available at [on.nyc.gov/patient-outreach-form](https://on.nyc.gov/patient-outreach-form)) to have the NYC Vaccine Hotline call patients directly to schedule a vaccine appointment. Patients referred through this form will receive a call within 48 hours.

### Special considerations:

- Free transportation to and from vaccination sites are available for people age 65 and older and people with disabilities who have no other way to get to their appointment. People can arrange for transportation by calling 877-829-4692.
- City-run vaccination sites are accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and offer interpretation services via in-person translators and telephone services.

- Parents and guardians should provide consent for their children (age 18 and younger) to be vaccinated. The Pfizer vaccine is the only vaccine authorized for people ages 5 to 17. In-person or phone consent is preferred, but some providers may accept consent in writing. Children ages 5 to 15 should be accompanied to the vaccination site by a parent, guardian or other adult caregiver designated by their parent or guardian.

**Providers can encourage vaccination by:**

- Talking to their patients about vaccination during regular clinical encounters to build confidence in COVID-19 vaccines. For resources on discussing vaccination, visit [nyc.gov/health/covidvaccineprovider](https://nyc.gov/health/covidvaccineprovider).
- Letting patients know vaccination is free and available regardless of immigration status.
  - If patients have insurance, it can be billed, but they will not be charged a copay or other fee.
  - People do not need to provide proof of residence or a social security number to get vaccinated.
- Discussing with eligible patients why it might be important for them to get a third dose or booster shot.
  - Third doses are recommended for people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised.
  - Booster shots are available for New Yorkers age 18 and older. Proactively offer vaccine booster doses to people who are age 65 and older, have an underlying medical condition or received the Johnson & Johnson vaccine at least two months ago.
  - Providers should not turn away people who, after evaluating and assessing their own level of risk exposure, request a booster and meet one of the following criteria:
    - Are age 18 and older, and it has been six months since they have been fully vaccinated with the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine
    - Are age 18 and older, and it has been two months since they have been fully vaccinated with the Johnson & Johnson vaccine
- Becoming a vaccine provider. If you do not currently offer COVID-19 vaccines, learn how to become a vaccine provider by visiting [nyc.gov/health](https://nyc.gov/health) and searching for **Citywide Immunization Registry**.
- Sharing resources. Patients can find information and answers to many questions at [nyc.gov/covidvaccine](https://nyc.gov/covidvaccine). This webpage has printable resources in numerous languages to share with your patients.

For more information about COVID-19 vaccines, visit [nyc.gov/health/covidvaccineprovider](https://nyc.gov/health/covidvaccineprovider).

The NYC Health Department may change recommendations as the situation evolves.

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