A Guide to Getting Your Updated Flu and COVID-19 Vaccines in Atlanta



Respiratory illness season is here. Staying up to date with the latest vaccines is the best way to help protect against the worst outcomes of many infectious respiratory diseases, including COVID-and flu.



Who needs flu and COVID-19 vaccines?

- Flu: The CDC recommends everyone ages 6 months and older receive a 2024-2025 flu vaccine every year in the fall. Some individuals may consider vaccination in July or August depending on circumstances.
- **COVID-19:** The CDC recommends everyone ages 6 months and older receive a 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine. CDC also recommends a second dose of the 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine for people who are 65 years and older and for those who are moderately or severely immunocompromised. The second dose should be given 6 months after the first dose.



Where can I get the latest COVID-19 and flu vaccines in Atlanta?

- Pharmacies: Most major pharmacies offer many vaccines.
 Check with your pharmacy to see what vaccines are available and if an appointment is needed. <u>Vaccines.gov</u> features a pharmacy lookup tool to help you find a pharmacy near you.
- Healthcare Provider's Office: If you have a primary healthcare provider, you can schedule an appointment to discuss staying up to date with your COVID-19 and flu vaccines—and get vaccinated.
- Georgia Department of Public Health (DPH): Individuals in Georgia can make COVID-19 vaccine appointments through the Georgia DPH: https://gta-vras.powerappsportals.us/en-US/
- Fulton County Board of Health:

Fulton County residents can get a **flu vaccine** at one of the health centers listed <u>here</u>.

Fulton County residents can get a **COVID-19 vaccine** at one of the health centers listed <u>here</u>.







Will I have to pay out-of-pocket to get vaccinated?

- Have insurance? COVID-19 and flu vaccines for children and adults are covered by nearly all insurance plans at no cost. Be sure to check that your vaccine provider takes your insurance.
- No insurance or underinsured?
 Through the Fulton County Board of Health, costs for vaccines can vary and are based on a sliding scale according to income, family size and your insurance coverage. Please bring documents and proof of income, family size and your Fulton County residency at the time of your appointment.

The **Georgia Department of Public Health** can help you find free or reduced-cost public health services in your community: https://gadph.findhelp.com. The Department's Immunization Program can also provide assistance over the phone: (404) 657-315.

Children 18 years old or younger who are uninsured or otherwise unable to afford the cost of vaccines, including those who have Medicaid or qualify for CHIP benefits, can receive vaccines free of cost through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.



What should I bring to a vaccine appointment?

- Identification (such as a driver's license or other issued ID)
- Insurance cards