

What to Know About Recommendations and Coverage for the Latest COVID-19 Vaccines

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CHILDREN (AGES 6 MONTHS–4 YEARS)

The 2025–2026 COVID-19 vaccines are recommended for people 6 months and older by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and leading medical societies.

COVID-19 has not gone away and remains a threat to your child's health and the health of their family and friends. Getting your child vaccinated is a safe and effective way to help protect against the most severe outcomes of the virus and reduce the likelihood of experiencing severe symptoms if they do get infected.

Millions of children ages 6 months to 4 years across the United States have been safely vaccinated against COVID-19. Recommended vaccines for children can vary by age, so talk with your child's healthcare provider to check if your child is up to date.



GETTING "UP TO DATE"

Children ages 6 months to 4 years who have not been previously vaccinated are recommended to receive two doses of the latest COVID-19 vaccine. For those who have received previous doses of a COVID-19 vaccine, one or two doses of the latest vaccine is recommended based on the type of vaccine and number of doses previously received.



CHILDREN WHO ARE IMMUNOCOMPROMISED

Moderately or severely immunocompromised children may receive additional doses of the latest COVID-19 vaccine. Talk to your child's healthcare provider to ensure they are up to date.



VACCINE CO-ADMINISTRATION

Getting more than one recommended vaccine at the same appointment is safe for most children, as long as there are no medical reasons to wait.



VACCINATION AFTER COVID-19 INFECTION

Children who recently had COVID-19 may delay their next vaccine dose by three months from when symptoms started, or, if asymptomatic, three months from when they first received a positive test.

Vaccines for Children

The federally funded Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program provides vaccines free of cost to children ages 18 and younger who are under or uninsured, as well as Alaskan Native and American Indian children.

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covered.**

Visit cveep.org/coverage to learn how COVID-19 vaccines are covered free of cost by nearly all private and public health insurance plans.

Visit vaccines.gov to find a location near you with vaccine options for children.

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