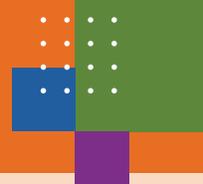


# FACT SHEET: Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Benefits and Risks



**Understand the risks and benefits of receiving the two-dose Moderna COVID-19 vaccine, which may prevent you from getting COVID-19. It is your choice to receive this vaccine. Talk to the vaccination provider if you have questions.**

## About this Vaccine

Like all COVID-19 vaccines, this vaccine has been authorized by the FDA for emergency use given the severity of the COVID-19 pandemic. This vaccine is a two-dose series, given one month apart, injected into the muscle.

## Before Getting the Vaccine

Tell the vaccination provider about all your medical conditions, including if you:

- have any allergies
- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system
- are pregnant, breastfeeding, or plan to become pregnant
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine

## You Should Not Get this Vaccine if:

You had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine: messenger ribonucleic acid (mRNA), lipids (SM-102, polyethylene glycol [PEG] 2000 dimyristoyl glycerol [DMG], cholesterol, and 1,2-distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine [DSPC]), tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, acetic acid, sodium acetate trihydrate, and sucrose.

## Benefits of this Vaccine

In an ongoing clinical trial, this vaccine has been shown to prevent illness, hospitalization or death from COVID-19 following two doses given one month apart. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

## Risks Associated with this Vaccine

- **General Side Effects:** Side effects reported with this vaccine include injection site reactions, fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea and vomiting, and fever.
- **Severe Allergic Reaction:** There is a remote chance the vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction (difficulty breathing, swelling of face and throat, fast heartbeat, bad rash all over your body, dizziness, weakness), which would usually occur a few minutes to one hour after getting the dose.

## If you Experience Side Effects

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital. Call the vaccination provider or your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

## Other Options to Prevent COVID-19

It is your choice to receive this vaccine and not getting it will not change your standard medical care. Other vaccines to prevent COVID-19 are available.

## More Information

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