

# Getting the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine

## What to Expect During & After Your Injection

### EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine has not been approved or licensed by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA), but has been authorized for emergency use by FDA, under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) for use in individuals 18 years of age and older. There is no FDA-approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

The EUA for the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is in effect for the duration of the COVID-19 EUA declaration justifying emergency use of the vaccine, unless terminated or revoked (after which the vaccine may no longer be used).

### Before you get the vaccine

Tell your vaccination provider if you:



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

For more information, visit [modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua/recipients/](https://modernatx.com/covid19vaccine-eua/recipients/)

### After you get the vaccine

Side effects that have been reported with the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, tenderness and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm of the injection, swelling (hardness), and redness
- General side effects: fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea and vomiting, and fever

Talk to your vaccination provider if you have side effects that bother you or do not go away.

**If you think you're having an allergic reaction to the vaccine, call 9-1-1.**

Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include: Difficulty breathing, swelling of your face and throat, a fast heartbeat, a bad rash all over your body, dizziness and weakness.

### A second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is REQUIRED

Complete vaccination **1 month** after your first dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine.

To help remember that appointment:

Immediately schedule your next appointment **after the first dose of your vaccine**



Ask for a **2nd Dose Reminder Card** to display prominently at home



Set a reminder on your mobile phone or calendar



**For more information, talk to your vaccination provider or call Moderna Customer Care at: 1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762)**

### What is the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine that may prevent COVID-19. There is no FDA-approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19. The FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 18 years of age and older under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

**Please see next page for additional Important Safety Information and Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers beginning on page 3 of this document.**

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## IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

### What should you mention to your vaccination provider before you get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

Tell your vaccination provider about all of 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 or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine

### Who should not get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

You should not get the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine if you:

- had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine
- had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine

### How is the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine given?

The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to you as an injection into the muscle. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine vaccination series is 2 doses given 1 month apart. If you receive one dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, you should receive a second dose of the same vaccine 1 month later to complete the vaccination series.

### What are the risks of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine?

Side effects that have been reported with the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, tenderness and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm of the injection, swelling (hardness), and redness
- General side effects: fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea and vomiting, and fever

There is a remote chance that the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to one hour after getting a dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. For this reason, your vaccination provider may ask you to stay at the place where you received your vaccine for monitoring after vaccination. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling of your face and throat
- A fast heartbeat
- A bad rash all over your body
- Dizziness and weakness

These may not be all the possible side effects of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine. Serious and unexpected side effects may occur. The Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is still being studied in clinical trials.

### What should I do about 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.

Report vaccine side effects to **FDA/CDC Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)**. The VAERS toll-free number is 1-800-822-7967 or report online to <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>. Please include "Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine EUA" in the first line of box #18 of the report form. In addition, you can also report side effects to ModernaTX, Inc. at 1-866-MODERNA (1-866-663-3762).

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