



COVID-19 VACCINES: WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW

COVID-19 vaccinations are available in accordance with prioritization guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the federal government and South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC).

Those who qualify for vaccinations* at this time may call the **Providence COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic** at **803.256.5588** for an appointment.

**The Providence COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic is located at
Providence Health-Downtown hospital
2435 Forest Drive
Columbia, SC 29204**

Vaccinations are by appointment only

Due to the volume of calls, if you receive a busy signal please try your call again.

You may also visit [SDHEC.gov/COVID19](https://sdhec.gov/COVID19) for a complete list of facilities currently offering the vaccine and additional information.

** Visit [SCDHEC.gov/COVID19](https://scdhec.gov/COVID19) for the current vaccination stage*



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With the arrival of effective vaccines that can protect us from COVID-19, we have a great opportunity to put this pandemic behind us and get back to everything we've been missing over the past year.

Here are some key things to know about the COVID-19 vaccine.



■ The vaccine is SAFE.

Fast-track development thanks to:

- Advanced technology
- Already existing research
- Unprecedented global partnership and funding

Vaccines have undergone extensive and rigorous testing prior to FDA authorization.

■ COVID-19 vaccines have been proven effective in:

- Reducing the risk of becoming infected with the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19
- Decreasing the likelihood of having a severe case of the illness
- Reducing hospitalizations and deaths due to COVID-19 disease

■ The vaccine side effects are mostly mild to moderate.

The most common side effects include:

- Pain/soreness at injection site
- Fatigue
- Headache

The vaccine does not contain the live COVID-19 virus, and it is NOT possible to contract COVID-19 from being vaccinated.



FULL VACCINATION MAY REQUIRE 1 OR 2 DOSES, DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF VACCINE.



THE VACCINE IS RECOMMENDED EVEN IF YOU HAVE ALREADY HAD COVID-19 AND RECOVERED.

You should continue to wear a mask, social distance and practice proper hand hygiene after being vaccinated.



We will work with our local and state partners to educate our community on how and where to get vaccinated as vaccines become more broadly available.