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COVID-19 VACCINE

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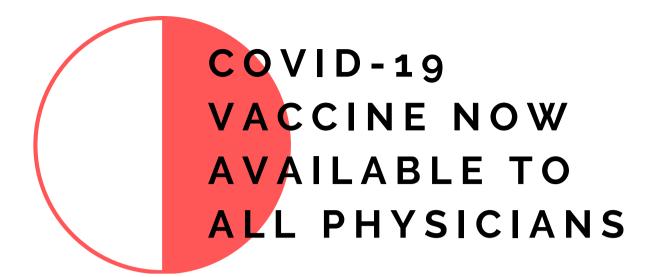
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COMPARISON OF THE THREE VACCINES

Pfizer	Moderna	J&J	
Mostly administered to hospitals	Best suited for office-based physicians	Best suited for office-based physicians	
Must be stored at -20 Celsius	Must be stored at -20 Celsius	Must be stored at 2-8 Celsius	
975 minimum dose order	100 dose minimum order	Not yet known	
Must be reconstituted	No on-site mixing needed	No on-site mixing needed	
Reports >90% effictive rate	Reports >90% effective rate	Reports 72% effective rate	
Needs 2 doses (21 days apart)	Needs 2 doses (28 days apart)	Single dose	



As of 12/31/20 all physicians and their staff who are in direct contact with patients are eligible to receive the vaccine. Beginning February 8, vaccine eligibility expanded to include phase 1b and people 65 years and older.

For physicians who are interested in receiving the vaccine to administer to the their patient population, please be advised that only healthcare workers and other high risk individuals are currently eligible to receive the vaccine. Once those high risk populations have been vaccinated, we will let you know when you can place vaccine orders for your patients. When that time comes, you will be required to be registered in ImmPRINT (see page 9) for more information about registering.

PFIZER VACCINE ALLOCATION

For appointment dates and times, <u>click here</u>.

Athens Limestone Hospital

Baptist Medical Center South

Coosa Valley Medical Center

Cullman Regional Medical Center

DCH Regional Medical Center

East Alabama Medical Center

Huntsville Hospital

Infirmary Employee Health - Thomas Hospital

Infirmary Employee Health - Mobile Infirmary

Lake Martin Community Hospital

Providence Hospital

South Baldwin Regional Medical Center

Southeast Health

Springhill Memorial Hospital

UAB Employee Health

USA Children's & Women's Hospital

USA Health University Hospital

MODERNA VACCINE ALLOCATION: HOSPITALS

For appointment dates and times, click here.

Atmore Community Hospital

Brookwood Baptist Medical Center

Bullock County Hospital

Cullman Regional Medical Center

Dale Medical Center

DW McMillan Hospital

Encompass Health Lakeshore

Flowers Hospita

Grandview Medical Center

Highlands Medical Center

Jackson Hospital

Jackson Medical Center Urgent Care Clinic

Lakeland Community Hospital

Medical Center Enterprise

Medical West

Mountain View Hospital

North Alabama Medical Center

North Mississippi Medical Center - Hamilton

Russell Medical Center

Shoals Hospital

South Baldwin Regional Medical Center

St. Vincent's Blount

St. Vincent's Chilton

St. Vincent's St. Clair Physicians Plaza

Troy Regional Medical Center

Vaughan Regional Medical Center

Whitfield Regional Hospital

MODERNA VACCINE PROVIDERS

While the current vaccine supply is limited, it is necessary to prioritize vaccinations for those who are at the highest risk of getting the virus or becoming seriously ill. Alabama has worked with stakeholders and has followed guidelines provided by the federal government to develop a

COVID-19 Vaccination Allocation Plan.

To see all COVID-19 vaccination providers, <u>click here</u>.

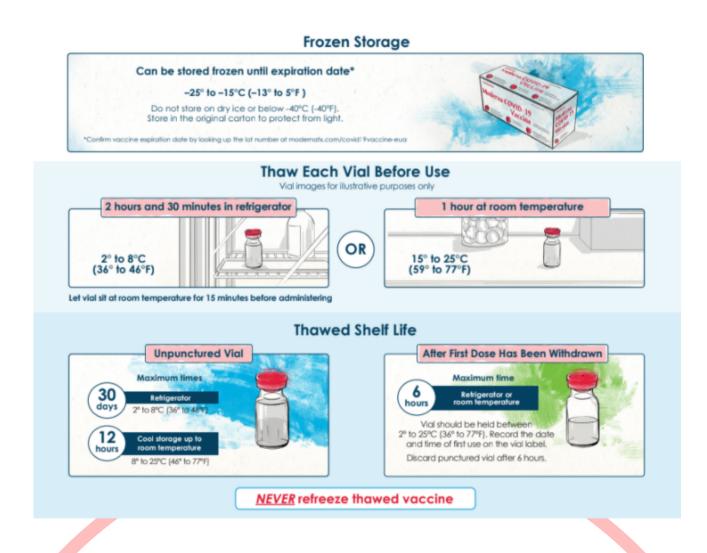
For provider information regarding vaccinations, visit <u>Vaccination Provider Support</u>.

For basics about the vaccine, e.g. how it works, benefits, safety, and side effects, visit <u>Vaccine Basics</u>.

For frequently asked questions regarding COVID-19 vaccine, visit <u>Vaccine FAQ</u>. Also see: <u>Myths vs. Facts</u>.



STORAGE AND DOSING OF THE MODERNA VACCINE



Please find more information from the following documents: <u>What to Expect: Providers</u> <u>What to Expect: Recipients</u> <u>Storage, Dosage and Administration</u>

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ENROLL TO BE A MODERNA VACCINE PROVIDER

If you enroll in ImmPRINT, please be advised that you are enrolling to become a provider of the COVID-19 vaccine for your patients, once it is made available to the general public.

Each vaccination site within an organization must enroll in ImmPRINT to participate in the COVID-19 vaccine program. If your site is already enrolled in ImmPRINT, you do not need to re-enroll. Go to "Complete the COVID-19 Provider Agreement and Profile".

ENROLL IN ImmPRINT

To enroll in ImmPRINT, please go online: https://siis.state.al.us/ImmPRINT/login/login.aspx

1. Complete Initial Site Enrollment Agreement

2. Immunization staff will review, verify, and approve your agreement.

3. Your site will be contacted by Immunization Division (IMM) Field Compliance Staff to conduct ImmPRINT training for the site administrator, either via WebEx, FaceTime or by phone and pictures.

4. Site Administrator activates site users.



COMPLETE COVID-19 PROVIDER AGREEMENT AND PROFILE

To complete the COVID-19 Provider Agreement and Profile:

1. Log in to ImmPRINT,

https://siis.state.al.us/ImmPrint/login/login.aspx, after the ImmPRINT enrollment process is complete.

- 2. Click on ImmPRINT Registry widget
- 3. Click Special Projects
- 4. Select COVID-19 Enrollment Form
- 5. Complete the Provider Agreement and Profile, which includes:
 - a) Provider address and contact information

b) Chief Medical Officer and Chief Executive Officer contact information

c) Primary COVID-19 Vaccine Coordinator & Vaccine Back-Up Coordinator

 Both are required to complete vaccine storage & handling training consisting of "You Call the Shots"-Module Ten-Storage and Handling-2020 weblink

https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/sh/ce.a sp

- Continuing education and download certificate instruction weblink <u>https://tceols.cdc.gov/Home/Steps</u>
- Upload of certificate of completion into this profile agreement required BEFORE contacted by Immunization field compliance staff to complete training

d) Contact Information for the Sites Back-Up COVID-19 Vaccine Coordinator

- e) Site Shipment Address
- f) Days and Times to deliver the vaccine
- g) Select Provider Type



COMPLETE COVID-19 PROVIDER AGREEMENT AND PROFILE (CONTINUED)

- h) Choose the vaccinating location setting
- i) Estimate the number of staff and patient your site may serve

6. Immunization staff will review responses, verify licenses, OIG list, and authorize your COVID-19 agreement.

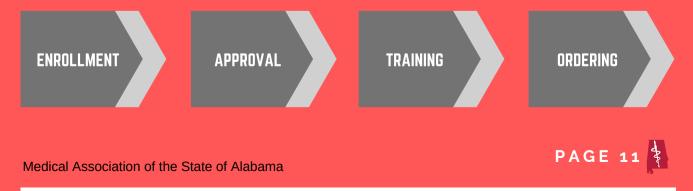
7. Your site will be contacted by Immunization Division (IMM) Field
Compliance Staff to conduct ImmPRINT, agreement, profile, and vaccine
storage and handling training for the site administrator, either via WebEx,
FaceTime, or by phone with pictures of storage units and thermometers.
8. Once activated, your site will be notified to order the COVID-19 vaccine in
ImmPRINT through the Vaccine Ordering Management System.

Please note: Due to the phased approach for vaccine distribution, providers may be prioritized for COVID-19 vaccine ordering based on the volume of the critical population served. ImmPRINT will send you an email when your vaccination location may order the COVID-19 vaccine.

Phased Approach to

COVID-19 Vaccination:

- Phase 1: Potentially limited doses available
- Phase 2: Large number of doses available
- Phase 3: Sufficient supply of doses available



BILLING/CODING THE COVID-19 VACCINE

We have worked with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama, Alabama Medicaid, and other insurance carriers to gather the most timely information on the specifics of billing and coding the COVID-19 vaccine.

CMS COVID-19 Vaccine Part B Billing Policy

• Current Medicare Providers: If you're enrolled in Medicare under institutional or non-institutional provider types, you don't need to take any action to administer and bill the COVID-19 shot.

• New Medicare Providers: can enroll as "Medicare mass immunizers" through an expedited 24-hour process. The ability to easily enroll as a mass immunizer is important for some pharmacies, schools, senior centers, and entities that may be non-traditional providers or otherwise not eligible for Medicare enrollment.

• Mass Immunization Clinics: Section 4 of the Form CMS-855, the supplier need NOT list each off-site location (e.g., county fair, shopping mall). It need only list its base of operation:

- NIP and TIN of location of standing orders physician is used as the rendering provider
- Place of service 60 is indicated in an offsite immunization setting



Payment Allowances for COVID-19 Vaccines and their Administration during the Public Health Emergency

Code	CPT Short Descriptor	Labler Name	Vaccine/Procedure Name	Payment Allowance
91300	SARSCOV2 VAC 30MCG/0.3ML IM	Pfizer	Pfizer-Biontech Covid-19 Vaccine	\$0.01
0001A	ADM SARSCOV2 30MCG/0.3ML 1ST	Pfizer	Pfizer-Biontech Covid-19 Vaccine Administration - First Dose	\$16.94
0002A	ADM SARSCOV2 30MCG/0.3ML 2ND	Pfizer	Pfizer-Biontech Covid-19 Vaccine Administration - Second Dose	\$28.39
91301	SARSCOV2 VAC 100MCG/0.5ML IM	Moderna	Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine	\$0.01
0011A	ADM SARSCOV2 100MCG/0.5ML1ST	Moderna	Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine Administration - First Dose	\$16.94
0012A	ADM SARSCOV2 100MCG/0.5ML2ND	Moderna	Moderna Covid-19 Vaccine Administration - Second Dose	\$28.39

More coding/billing information from <u>Medicare</u>

More coding/billing information from Medicaid More coding/billing information from <u>BCBS</u>



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PFIZER VACCINE 2 DOSES AT 0 & 21 DAYS -112 TO -76°F

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59267-1000-02 carton NDC

59267-1000-03 diluent NDC

91300 vaccine CPT \$.00 or \$.01

0001A dose 1 CPT \$16.94

0002A dose 2 CPT \$28.39

Vial Label







Box Label



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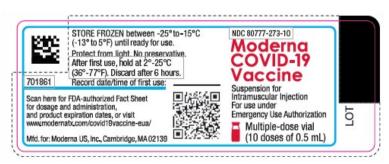
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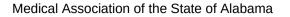
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0012A dose 2 CPT \$28.39

Vial Label





UNINSURED PATIENTS AND THE VACCINE ADMIN FEE:

HRSA recently partnered with UHC's Optum Pay for uninsured covid testing and treatment claims. The vaccine administration fee was recently added.

All providers must register with Optum to submit uninsured claims for the administration fee only.

Groups that are signed up with Medicare that DO NOT have to reenroll as Mass Immunizers include: hospitals, physicians, clinic/group practices, hospital outpatient departments, skilled nursing facilities, critical access hospitals, end-stage renal disease facilities, home health agencies, hospice, comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation facilities, federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics, and Indian health services facilities.

Temporary patient IDs need to be generated prior to claim submission and all claims should be final with no corrections.

You will need a DL# or SS# for all uninsured patient claims.

CLAIM REQUIREMENTS

COVID-19 VACCINE FAQS

Which COVID-19 vaccines are expected to be available first?

Pfizer - 2 doses 21 days apart - Approved for EUA

Moderna - 2 doses 28 days apart - Approved for EUA

Johnson & Johnson - 1 dose - Approved for EUA

Oxford/AstraZeneca - 2 doses 28 days apart - phase 3 clinical trial

What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?

Emergency Use Authorization occurs when the FDA allows a drug or vaccine to be used during a public health emergency. The FDA may choose to grant EUA once studies have demonstrated the safety and effectiveness of a vaccine. EUAs provide timely access to critical medical products during a medical emergency when there are no sufficient treatments or vaccines available.

Which pharmaceutical company will provide the vaccine?

Pfizer was the first manufacturer to be approved for emergency use authorization. Moderna has also requested emergency use authorization.

Will the COVID-19 vaccines be safe?

To date, no serious safety concerns have been reported by an independent Data and Safety Monitoring Board overseeing Phase 3 trials of the Pfizer and Moderna mRNA COVID-19 vaccines. After receiving the Pfizer vaccine, only fatigue (3.8%) and headache (2%) occurred at a rate greater than or equal to 2%.



COVID-19 VACCINE FAQS(CONTINUED)

If you develop COVID-19 symptoms after getting the vaccine should you quarantine?

Yes, it typically takes a few weeks for the body to build immunity after vaccination. That means it is possible a person could be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19 just before or just after vaccination and get sick. This is because the vaccine has not had enough time to provide protection.

How effective will the vaccines be?

In Phase 3 trials, the Pfizer vaccine showed a 95% efficacy rate 7 days after the second dose. The vaccine was 94% effective in adults >65 years old. The Moderna vaccine showed a 94% efficacy rate 14 days after the second dose. These results were consistent across gender, age, race, and ethnicity.

How long will immunity last after I get vaccinated? Will I need to be vaccinated every year?

The length of immunity following vaccination is not yet known for COVID-19. Given the novel nature of this virus and vaccine development, long term data is not yet available to guide future vaccine protocols.

Can I take the vaccine if I have already had COVID and recovered? How long after can I take it?

It is currently unknown how long natural immunity lasts after recovering from COVID-19. Early studies show that it is not long-lasting, and cases of reinfection have been reported. The Pfizer trial did include individuals who previously had COVID and recovered but data from that group is still pending. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) will be making recommendations on which individuals should be vaccinated.

COVID-19 VACCINE TALKING POINTS FOR YOUR PATIENTS

- COVID-19 vaccination will help to protect us from the virus and save lives.
- Based on months of clinical trials, COVID-19 vaccines that receive FDA Emergency Use Authorization have met rigorous and scientific standards of safety, quality, and effectiveness.
- Clinical trials with tens of thousands of people have demonstrated that vaccination is highly effective in preventing COVID-19 and caused no serious safety concerns. (The only adverse reactions documented after being vaccinated included mild fatigue and a headache, which only occurred shortly after being vaccinated and then went away.)
- COVID-19 vaccines will not give you COVID-19. (None of the COVID-19 vaccines currently in development in the U.S. use the live virus that causes COVID-19. COVID-19 vaccines cause an immune response in your body, but do not give you the virus.)
- Getting vaccinated will help to protect the health and wellbeing of our communities and get the economy moving again.
- COVID-19 vaccination will offer a path forward to ensure our state's essential workers can safely do their jobs and provide for their families.
- Getting vaccinated not only protects you, but the people around you particularly those at risk of severe COVID-19 illness.
- When communities are vaccinated, fewer people are likely to get sick, saving taxpayers dollars and assuring the healthcare system can continue to meet the needs of those it is intended to serve.
- It is vital that each of us continues to do their part to prevent the spread of the virus.
- Stopping a pandemic requires using all the tools we have available, and vaccination is just one of those tools.
- Continue to wear a mask, stay physically distanced, wash your hands frequently, and avoid the three Cs crowds, closed indoor spaces, and close contacts.



DRAFT SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS ABOUT #COVID19VACCINE

Recommended Use: Adapt these social media posts to use on social media platforms.

- Vaccines have two benefits: 1) protecting those who are vaccinated and 2) when vaccination rates are high, they create herd immunity, disrupting the spread of disease and protecting those who cannot be vaccinated. Here's how herd immunity works in a community with high vaccination rates: (herd immunity GIF can be downloaded from https://imgur.com/gallery/8M7q8#J7LANQ4 then posted in social media platforms)
- As we await a #COVID19Vaccine locally, we have been working with the Alabama Department of Public Health (ADPH) to plan for when #COVID19Vaccine is available.
- #COVID19Vaccines are currently being developed and tested for their safety and efficacy (effectiveness in clinical trials). The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines recently completed this process and have requested an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) from the @US_FDA so that their vaccines can soon be used in the U.S. in response to the #COVID-19 pandemic. The FDA describes what an EUA is in this short video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGkwaESsGBQ
- During a public health emergency, emergency use authorizations (EUAs) can be used by the @US_FDA to help make medical products available quickly. For a vaccine to receive an EUA, the FDA must determine if the vaccine's benefits outweigh its risks based on data from Phase 3 clinical trial(s), which demonstrates the vaccine's safety and efficacy (effectiveness in clinical trials). The @US_FDA describes what an EUA is in this short video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGkwaESsGBQ</u>

DRAFT SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS (CONTINUED)

- Once a #COVID19Vaccine is authorized for use, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices will make recommendations to the @CDCGOV director on how the vaccine should be used. But who is the ACIP? They are an external team of medical and infectious disease experts who are responsible for making recommendations on how to use vaccines to control diseases in the U.S. Learn more here: <u>https://www.CDC.gov/vaccines/acip/committee/role-vaccinerecommendations.html</u>
- Ensuring the safety of vaccines, including the #COVID19Vaccines, is a top
 priority. The U.S. vaccine safety system is designed to ensure that all vaccines
 are as safe as possible. Learn more about the steps that are being taken to ensure
 the safety of #COVID19Vaccines: www.CDC.gov/coronavirus/2019ncov/vaccines/safety.html.
- The federal government has committed to providing free or low-cost #COVID19Vaccines. However, there may be a fee for administering the vaccine that most public and private insurance companies will cover, so there is no cost for the person getting vaccinated. In addition, those without health insurance will be able to get the #COVID19Vaccines at no cost.
- The two leading #COVID19Vaccine candidates are mRNA vaccines. This brief video from STAT news explains how #COVID19Vaccines based on messenger RNA technology work: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S8Wd-NMqvno</u>.

TWITTER

The @US_FDA may grant an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for a vaccine that shows that its benefits outweigh its risks so that it may be used to quickly respond to the pandemic. The FDA describes what an EUA is in this short video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iGkwaESsGBQ

A committee of external medical and public health experts advises CDC on U.S. vaccine recommendations. If a #COVID19 vaccine is authorized or approved, this committee will vote on whether to recommend it and who should receive it. Learn more: <u>https://www.CDC.gov/vaccines/acip/committee/role-vaccine</u> <u>recommendations.html</u>



- FDA FACT SHEET FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS ADMINISTERING VACCINE
- EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION FOR VACCINES EXPLAINED
- FDA NEWS RELEASE: FDA TAKES KEY ACTION IN FIGHT AGAINST <u>COVID-19 BY ISSUING EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION FOR</u> <u>FIRST COVID-19 VACCINE</u>
- <u>CMS TOOL KIT (UPDATED DAILY)</u>
- <u>COVID-19 VACCINATION COMMUNICATION TOOLKIT</u>
- DIFFERENT COVID-19 VACCINES (CDC)
- <u>UNDERSTANDING COVID-19 MRNA VACCINES</u>
- ENSURING COVID-19 VACCINES WORK (CDC)
- FACTS ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINES (CDC)
- <u>SKILLS CHECKLIST FOR VACCINE ADMINISTRATION</u>
- HOW CDC IS MAKING COVID-19 VACCINE RECOMMENDATIONS (CDC)
- <u>VACCINE EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR HEALTHCARE</u> <u>PROFESSIONALS (CDC)</u>
- WHAT TO EXPECT AFTER GETTING A COVID-19 VACCINE
- <u>WHAT TO EXPECT AT YOUR APPOINTMENT TO GET VACCINATED</u> <u>FOR COVID-19</u>

