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## COVID-19 Vaccination Frequently Asked Questions

**Where can I go to get vaccinated if I am in Phase 1A?** You may get vaccinated from any provider that has COVID-19 vaccines. There is a list of providers on our [coronavirus website](#). Individuals that don't have a provider, or their provider/doctor did not sign up to be a COVID-19 provider, can get them at the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District as more vaccines become available.

**Where can I go to get vaccinated if I am in Phase 1B?** You may get vaccinated from any provider that has COVID-19 vaccines. There is a list of providers on our [coronavirus website](#). Individuals that don't have a provider, or their provider/doctor did not sign up to be a COVID-19 provider, can get them at the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District as more vaccines become available.

**How do I sign up to get vaccinated?** Because of the nature of this pandemic, and the number of individuals that are requesting to get vaccinated, the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District is registering people that meet the current Phase we are on at the COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic Site. We ask that you bring your cell phone so we can help you register prior to receiving your vaccine.

**Can I pre-register to get vaccinated?** Due to the nature of the pandemic, the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District is not currently pre-registering first time vaccinators. It is on a first-come, first-served basis at the clinic site.



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**Why do some people get pre-registered?** The only ones that can pre-register are people that have received their first dose of COVID-19 vaccine and are needing to receive their second dose. Second dose recipient's will get a reminder that their second dose is needed and a link to pre-register for it. Second dose recipients will be able to go straight through with those that are pre-registered to get their second dose. You will all be offered this same method when it is time for your second dose.

**How much does it cost?** We do not charge at the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics. Some places may charge an administrative fee, but we do not. It is FREE to our community.

**Where is the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District giving out COVID-19 Vaccines?** We currently have a permanent site at Richard Borchard Fairgrounds - 1213 Terry Shamsie Blvd, Robstown, TX 78380

**What days are you open?** We currently have been working hard to open the same day the COVID-19 vaccines arrive.

**When do you receive vaccines?** We do not know when the COVID-19 vaccines will arrive until the evening before the vaccine arrives — for the safety of the vaccine. Once we know it will be arriving the following day, we send out a news release so that the public can be informed.

**What time does the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic open?** We have previously received the COVID-19 vaccine around 10:30 or 11:00 a.m. and we will try to open the clinic about one hour after the arrival of vaccine. We have to thaw the vaccine prior to administering. Inclement weather may also affect this.



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**How do I prove I have certain chronic medical conditions (or co-morbidities)?** You do not have to prove it. We believe people are good people and would not lie to cut in front of others that are more vulnerable to getting this virus. The phases were set up by an expert panel of professionals to help those that are more likely to get COVID-19 first and then continues based on a person's risk. If you meet the criteria to be vaccinated, please show up at one of the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics.

**Why have essential employees not been mentioned in the first two phases?** The phases were defined by an expert panel consisting of health care, medical, and public health professionals that had to decide who was at higher risk for contracting the disease first. While the phase may not say “essential employee” you still may fall into Phase 1A or 1B if you are over 65 or have chronic medical conditions.

**Why are some Nursing Homes residents not vaccinated yet?** Health and Human Services oversees the nursing homes and they set up a system for them to be vaccinated by the larger pharmacies such as CVS, Walgreens, etc. They started vaccinating nursing homes on December 28 but there are many facilities in Texas. Health and Human Services is working with very little vaccine at this time, so the roll-out seems slower than what we all would like to see for this population. The Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District, as well as the Corpus Christi Fire Department, has offered to vaccinate Nursing Homes when our vaccines arrive. Some have taken us up on our offer and others have chosen to wait per corporate decision. This group is our priority and we will continue to reach out to them to offer vaccines to them, since we understand their vulnerability in a congregate setting.



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**How can we help?** Be patient with us. Our goal is to vaccinate as many people in the community that want to be vaccinated. Have your phones with you fully charged and wear loose fitting shirts so we can easily roll up your sleeve. If you get to the Corpus Christi – Nueces County Public Health District COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic, we will try to inform you as soon as possible that we have run out of vaccines. We do not want to keep you any longer than we have to. We are working as fast and as hard as possible to get everyone vaccinated. Thank you.

**Can I get the COVID-19 Vaccine if I just got my flu shot?** It is recommended that you wait at least 14 days before getting your COVID-19 vaccine. You should not get any other vaccines for at least 14 days before you get your COVID-19 vaccine.

**Can I get the COVID-19 Vaccine if I already had coronavirus?** Yes, you may still get the vaccine. However, you can wait up to 3 months after you were diagnosed with COVID-19 because you may have antibodies that will protect you for at least 3 months after you contracted the virus.

**What if I am pregnant/lactating (breast feeding) can I get vaccinated?** Yes, you can get the vaccine, but it is good to talk to your OB/GYN before making that decision. Neither Pfizer nor Moderna did clinical trials with women that were pregnant or lactating, so we do not have enough information on how these individuals fared. While we believe it is a safe and an efficacious vaccine for this population, the data has not been collected to prove this theory. Getting the COVID-19 vaccine is a personal decision that only you can make.



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**What if I have an immunosuppressed disorder can I get vaccinated?** Yes, you can get the vaccine, but it is good to talk to your physician before making that decision. We know the vaccine is safe and efficacious but because you are immunosuppressed, you may not receive as robust of a response as someone that is not immunocompromised. Getting the COVID-19 vaccine is a personal decision that only you can make.

**What if I am diagnosed with COVID-19, can I get vaccinated?** Not while you are sick with the virus and in fact you can wait up to 3 months after being diagnosed with COVID-19 because your body will make its own natural antibodies that may protect you for up to 3 months (this virus is still so novel we do not know how long you have protection against getting re-infected). Yes, you can get vaccinated for COVID-19, if you had the virus in the past. We do not want anyone sick in our clinics because while most of us have been vaccinated, not all of us have and none of us have had the full series of the two required doses at this time.

**Can I be forced to get vaccinated?** No, since this vaccine was approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA), you cannot be forced to get vaccinated. This must be a personal choice, we do encourage as many people to get vaccinated as possible so that we can get this pandemic behind us, but no one can force anyone to get vaccinated.