

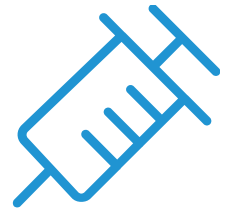
4 things to know about the COVID-19 vaccine



The COVID-19 vaccines are an important step in returning to normal and protecting you and your family. Here is important information on vaccine coverage, safety, and availability.

Three COVID-19 vaccines have received FDA approval or emergency use authorization.

Many years of research has gone into what appears to be a quick development and approval of the vaccines. The three available vaccines are the FDA emergency use authorized Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines, and the FDA approved Pfizer vaccine.

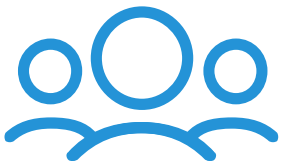


The vaccine is available at no cost.

All Blue Shield members will be able to receive the vaccine at no cost, without a doctor's referral, at both in- and out-of-network providers.

The vaccines are safe and effective.

The CDC, FDA, and U.S Vaccine Safety System ensure that the approved vaccines are safe. These vaccines are also effective in preventing severe illness, hospitalization, and death.



The vaccines are widely available at most pharmacies, provider offices, and pop-up sites.

Those who want to get the vaccine can make an appointment at a retail pharmacy, reach out to their provider, or check their county or local public health department website.

For additional resources and frequent updates on COVID-19, please visit blueshieldca.com/coronavirus

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