



Let's Get Back To what we miss the most.

Vaccines are the fastest way
to get back to what we miss most.

How do COVID-19 vaccines protect us?

- When we get vaccinated against COVID-19, the vaccine activates our immune response without the danger of an actual infection. This helps our bodies learn to fight off a virus.
- It's not possible to get COVID-19 from a vaccine. Most vaccines for COVID-19 teach your body to protect against a harmless spike-shaped protein (without using the virus at all).
- COVID-19 can be life-threatening, which is why it's important for everyone who's eligible to get their vaccine shots.

How will most people feel after getting immunized against COVID-19?

- It's normal to have some discomfort after getting a vaccine. This may include soreness or some swelling in your arm. You may also feel tired, have a headache, fever, or chills. Ask your doctor if you have questions.
- These signals actually mean the vaccine is working – and your body is creating a protective immune response without any danger of getting a COVID-19 infection.



How are vaccines tested before I get them?

- Because vaccines are given to millions of people to prevent serious diseases, they're held to very high safety standards before they're authorized by the FDA.
- The clinical trials for COVID-19 vaccines were as big and thorough as recent studies for other licensed vaccines.
- Medical experts also made sure that the trials for COVID-19 vaccines included adults of diverse backgrounds, races, ethnicities, and underlying conditions.
- More than 300 million COVID-19 vaccine doses have been given safely to people in the United States.

Should I get vaccinated if I have pre-existing conditions like hypertension, high blood pressure, etc.?

- Yes. Vaccination is an important consideration for people of any age with health concerns like high blood pressure because they may be at increased risk for severe illness from the virus that causes COVID-19.
- People with underlying medical conditions can receive COVID-19 vaccines as long as they have not had an immediate or severe allergic reaction to a COVID-19 vaccine or to any of the ingredients in the vaccine.

Why should I get vaccinated?

- Getting immunized against COVID-19 will protect most people from getting sick or becoming seriously ill.
- Protecting yourself also helps protect the people around you, including those who are most at risk of getting very sick.
- Getting immunized is important because COVID-19 can have serious and life-threatening complications.

How quickly can vaccines help us get back to our lives?

- Once enough people get vaccinated, experts are hopeful we can end this pandemic as we know it in this country.
- Until then, we should all keep doing the things that help protect against the virus as people are getting vaccinated.
- This includes wearing a mask, continuing to practice social distancing, and washing your hands often.

How much do vaccines cost?

- COVID-19 vaccines are provided at no cost to you. If you have insurance, we will bill your insurance

Where can I get a COVID vaccine?

UAMS provides convenient COVID vaccines in Central Arkansas with vaccine clinics at the Women's Center at Midtown, the UAMS Family Medical Center, and the Internal Medicine Clinic in the Outpatient Center on the main campus. UAMS also offers COVID vaccines at Regional Program sites in Northwest Arkansas, Fort Smith, Pine Bluff, Jonesboro and Texarkana.

Go to uams.health/COVIDvaccine to see locations and hours for UAMS vaccine clinics.

Appointments are available but not required.

The UAMS Mobile COVID Vaccine Team is available to come to your event, church or work location. To request a mobile vaccine event, please go to uamshealth.com/population-health-mobile-unit-visit-request