

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinician Resources

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NEW Products Available!

[COVID-19 Vaccine Quick Reference Guide for Healthcare Professionals](#) is available as both a factsheet (8.5in x 11in format) as well as a poster (11in x 17in format). This comparison chart is a quick summary comparing COVID-19 vaccines for easy reference. This document can be found on the [Product Info by US Vaccine](#) webpage.

An [Interim Clinical Considerations Summary](#) and [Vaccine Administration Errors and Deviations Table](#) are also live. The Interim Clinical Considerations Summary provides an easy reference of clinical considerations, while the Vaccine Administration Errors information provides an easy reference on handling vaccine administration errors. Both are available in factsheet and poster formats. These documents can be found on the [Interim Clinical Considerations](#) webpage.

Have you heard? This week, CDC released a new mini-webinar series for addressing different topics related to COVID-19 vaccination. The first two webinars of the [COVID-19 Vaccine Webinar Series](#) are about preventing vaccine administration errors and properly storing and transporting COVID-19 vaccines. Each webinar is approximately 15 minutes and offers CE.

UPDATED Products Available!

The COVID-19 Prevacination Checklist is also available in both English and Spanish! Links to both are included in the Administration Resources section on the Product Info webpages for each vaccine. ([Pfizer-BioNTech](#), [Moderna](#) and [Janssen/Johnson & Johnson](#))

Spotlight: Frequently Asked Questions

“Should vaccine recipients be required to pay for COVID-19 vaccination?”

No, vaccine recipients should not be charged for any COVID-19 vaccine expenses. However, if recipients are part of a program or plan that covers COVID-19 vaccine administration fees, then providers can seek appropriate reimbursement from that program or plan. This could mean contacting a vaccine recipient’s private insurance company, looking into Medicare or Medicaid reimbursement or HRSA COVID-19 Uninsured Program.

For additional information on filing claims for reimbursement of COVID-19 vaccine administration fees, go to [HRSA COVID-19 Uninsured Program](#) or visit [CMS webpage](#) for additional guidance.

“Can providers pull an additional dose of vaccine if available?”

CDC recommends that healthcare providers follow the dosing guidance from the manufacturer as outlined in the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA). CDC will update its guidance if the EUA and ancillary supply kits support additional doses per vial in the future.

“Can vaccination providers vaccinate people outside of priority populations?”

Vaccination providers should not waste any viable vaccine doses. Vaccination providers are required to administer vaccine to prioritized groups based on HHS, CDC, state, territory, or tribal guidance. However, we recognize that, on occasion, this may not be possible. If members of prioritized populations are not available, efforts should be made to administer vaccine to qualified individuals rather than wasting doses.

Facilities must continue to prepare only enough doses to accommodate scheduled demand for each clinic day. If, despite such efforts, the facility has vaccine doses that are expiring near the end of the clinic day, these vaccine doses may be administered to available qualified individuals, regardless of prioritization status. The provider must not receive any direct or indirect incentive for vaccinating these individuals. Note that planning for excess doses at the end of the vaccination clinic violates the terms of the CDC COVID-19 Provider Agreement.

Up-to-Date Clinician Resources

General information about COVID-19 vaccine products for clinicians and healthcare professionals can be found on the [COVID-19 Vaccination webpage](#).

Clinical information including FAQs, Contraindications and Precautions as well as Administrative resources can be found for each vaccine on their own product webpage. Scrolling to the bottom of each vaccine specific webpage will bring you to a list of Storage and Handling Resources.

- [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [Moderna COVID-19 vaccine](#)
- [Janssen/J&J COVID-19 vaccine](#)

Clinical consideration guidance related to COVID-19 vaccine products is available on the [Interim Clinical Considerations](#) webpage. Topics covered on this page include authorized age groups, coadministration with other vaccines, considerations for vaccination with specific underlying medical conditions and many others.

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