



# Q&A FROM VACCINE WEBINAR

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## QUESTIONS

## ANSWERS

- ★ 1. How long after vaccine can we be with family/ engage with the community?
- ★ 2. Do we need to practice mask wearing, hand hygiene, distancing within family households/ out in the community after the vaccine?
- ★ 3. How many AI/AN have been in the vaccine trials?
- ★ 4. What about special populations? (Pregnant, children, breastfeeding etc)
- ★ 5. Why do some people experience more side effects than others?
- ★ 6. What is the minimum age to get the vaccines?
- ★ 7. Is it possible to be infected with the virus after being vaccinated?

- ★ 1. There will be full immunity 14 days after the last dose of the vaccination, however In addition, if there are immunocompromised people or anyone not vaccinated in the household, continue with all the protocols.
- ★ 2. Yes, it is imperative that you follow all the COVID protocols, even after being vaccinated.
- ★ 3. Jansen and Pfizer had 1% of AI/AN; Moderna had less than 1% of AI/AN.
- ★ 4. There are no studies on humans but animals proved no harmful effects regarding special populations; The info is on women who were to become pregnant shortly after being vaccinated.
  - There are no known effects on fetuses yet as the current trials on pregnant women did not have their babies yet.
- ★ 5. There is no specific reason as everyone is different. In most older people, there have been minimal side effect. In addition, side effects equate to the body producing sufficient immunity.
- ★ 6. Jansen and Moderna is 18 years; Pfizer is 16 years with ongoing trials for those as young as 5 years old.
- ★ 7. None of the vaccines are 100% effective, hence, yes you can. Early data shows some variants are protected, while others are not.





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8. Is one vaccine better than the other? Why do all 3 vaccines have different efficacy rates?

8. All 3 vaccines were created at different times, different locations with different variants of the virus circulating. Regardless, all 3 are just as safe compared to each other and it is recommended to get vaccinated as soon as possible with whichever is available.

9. Can I take anti-inflammatory medications before/ after the vaccine?

9. Taking Tylenol or other NSAIDs is fine after being vaccinated but not before.

10. Why are the AN/AI more at risk with Covid-19?

10. There is no definitive answer, but one reason could be due to crowded living conditions.

11. Is the vaccine safe for those who are allergic to the regular flu shot?

11. The vaccine has no cross reactivity with flu shot and/or its ingredients.

12. Are boosters needed for any of the current vaccines?

12. A booster is the same as the 2nd dose of the series. No booster recommendation currently for the Jansen vaccine with ongoing trials.

13. What are some recommendation for community outreach regarding receiving the vaccines.

13. Increasing access to the doses especially in the remote locations where the most vulnerable populations reside.

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