

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINATION FOR CHILDREN AGES 6 MONTHS TO 5 YEARS

COVID-19 vaccination is a **safe, reliable and predictable way** for children ages 6 months to 5 years to build protection and against the virus.¹

COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective for children ages 6 months to 5 years.



COVID-19 vaccines have gone through the **same development, testing and authorization process** as other vaccines.



Before the FDA authorized COVID-19 vaccines for children in 2022, scientists conducted clinical trials with **more than 8,000 children ages 6 months to 5 years** to establish safety and effectiveness.²



COVID-19 vaccines **continue to be monitored very closely** and have the most intensive safety monitoring of any vaccine in U.S. history.³

COVID-19 vaccines are our best line of defense against the virus, helping protect young children from serious illness and hospitalization.



More than 2 million U.S. children 5 and under have received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose.⁴



Even in children, **COVID-19 can cause severe illness or death**, and it's not possible to predict who will experience mild or severe illness from infection.⁵

Speak with a pediatric nurse practitioner or family nurse practitioner about getting your child vaccinated against COVID-19.



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¹ <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/facts.html>

² <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/wr/mm7135a3.htm>

³ <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/safety/safety-of-vaccines.html>

⁴ https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccinations_vacc-total-admin-rate-pop12

⁵ <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/vaccine-benefits.html>