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COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teenagers

Widespread vaccination for COVID-19 is a critical tool to best protect everyone, especially those at highest risk, from severe illness and death. People who are fully vaccinated can safely resume many activities that they did prior to the pandemic.

Now, children ages 5 years and older are able to get an age-appropriate dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.



Scientists have conducted clinical trials with about **3,000 children** and the FDA has determined that Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine has met the safety and efficacy standards for authorization in children ages 5 through 15 years. Additionally, Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is FDA-approved for people ages 16 and older.

Pediatricians, local health departments, pharmacies, and health care providers will offer Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine for eligible individuals

The federal government is providing the COVID-19 vaccine **free of charge** to all people living in the United States, regardless of their immigration or health insurance status.



For more resources on vaccination for children 5 years and older visit dph.illinois.gov. You can also visit vaccines.gov to find your nearest vaccination location.