

Contraindications to COVID vaccination





Reasons to Not Get a COVID Vaccination

- Severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) to a previous dose of the COVID-19 vaccine
- Immediate allergic reaction of any severity (hives, swollen lips, etc.) to a previous dose or physician-diagnosed allergy to a component of the vaccine (polysorbate in Janssen vaccine and polyethylene glycol in the mRNA vaccines)



Reasons to **Postpone** a COVID Vaccination (but still get it)

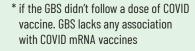
- People with current SARS-CoV-2 infection should be postponed until the person has recovered from the acute illness (if the person had symptoms) and at least 10 days have gone by since their diagnosis
- Moderate or severe acute illness with or without fever is a precaution to administration of all vaccines (until recovery from acute symptoms)



Not Good Reasons to Avoid COVID Vaccine

- Allergic reactions (including severe) not related to vaccines such as reactions to food, pets, insect venom, environmental allergies, latex allergy or allergies to oral medications
- History of Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS) is not a contraindication to immunization against COVID-19*
- · A previous physical exam is not needed
- Currently on antibiotics
- Recovering from an illness, including COVID (see above)
- Heart disease

- Recent exposure to an infectious disease
- History of penicillin allergy, relatives with allergies, or receiving allergen extract immunotherapy
- High blood pressure
- An immunocompromising condition, specifically cancer, solid organ transplant, autoimmune/rheumatic disease and hemodialysis (these vaccines are not live virus vaccines)
- Diabetes
- Pregnancy, breastfeeding, trying to get pregnant, or thinking about trying to get pregnant





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