



### **Do you or your child need to get your COVID-19 vaccine?**

*COVID-19 vaccines are FREE, safe, and effective at preventing serious illness, and hospitalization related to COVID-19.*

- The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly impacted the disability community. Several studies have found that people with an intellectual or developmental disability are at least twice as likely to contract COVID-19 and experience severe complications, due to their greater use of public and shared spaces, where transmission of the virus is higher.<sup>1,2</sup>
- In the clinical trials of the Pfizer vaccine for children ages 12-15, no child who received the vaccine got sick, suggesting the vaccine is highly effective at preventing COVID-19.<sup>3</sup>
- As of October 13 2021, 47% of children ages 12-17 nationwide have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine.<sup>4</sup>

Visit [azhealth.gov/VaccinesforKids](https://azhealth.gov/VaccinesforKids) for more info!

***The Pfizer-BioNTech Vaccine is now approved for children ages 5 years or older***

## **Where to find COVID-19 vaccines**

### **Contact your primary care provider (PCP)'s office**

Hundreds of pediatricians statewide have begun offering the pediatric Pfizer vaccine. Contact your child's provider to see if their clinic is one of them.

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<sup>1</sup> Spreat, S., Cox, R., & Davis, M. (N.D.). COVID-19 case and mortality report: Intellectual or developmental disabilities. [https://www.ancor.org/sites/default/files/covid19\\_case\\_and\\_mortality\\_report.pdf](https://www.ancor.org/sites/default/files/covid19_case_and_mortality_report.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> Gleason, Ross, Fossi, Blonksy, Tobias, & Stephens (2021). The devastating impact of COVID-19 on individuals with intellectual disabilities in the United States. *New England Journal of Medicine (NEJM) Catalyst*.

<sup>3</sup> COVID-19 vaccines for kids: What you need to know.

<https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/coronavirus/in-depth/covid-19-vaccines-for-kids/art-20513332>.

<sup>4</sup> <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#vaccination-demographics-trends>

## Vaccine Navigators

Continued support of vaccine navigation through the COVID-19 Hotline with English and Spanish speakers available 7 days a week from 8 am - 5 pm. Since June 1, the navigation line has supported over 8,200 calls with over 700 of those being Spanish callers.

Call them today at **1-844-542-8201**

## Visit your local pharmacy

Be sure to call ahead to confirm that your vaccine brand of choice is available. While most pharmacies administer the vaccine on a walk-in basis, some can schedule an appointment to reduce wait time.



## Transportation Options

**AHCCCS members** can call the member services phone number on the front or back of your card and reference your Member ID and Health Plan ID numbers in order to request transportation to a vaccine clinic or event.

### Are you or your child homebound?

For people who are unable to leave home or a doctor has indicated your health could worsen by leaving home, please consider the following resources:

**AHCCCS (Medicaid) Members:** Please call the member services phone number on the front or back of your card and reference your Member ID and Health Plan ID numbers in order to request in-home vaccination services.

## Mobile Vaccine Resources

- [Maricopa County](#)



- [Pima County](#)
- [Navajo Nation](#)
- [Apache, Cochise, Coconino, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, LaPaz, Mohave, Santa Cruz, Pinal, and Yavapai Counties](#)

**Not an AHCCCS member?**

Ride-share apps Uber and Lyft offer FREE rides to and from vaccine events as well as pharmacies offering the vaccine.

- [uber.com/us/en/impact/rides-for-vaccines/](https://uber.com/us/en/impact/rides-for-vaccines/)
- [lyft.com/vaccine-access](https://lyft.com/vaccine-access)

**Still have questions or concerns whether the COVID-19 vaccine is right for you or your child?**

Speak to your primary care provider (PCP) - they can review you or your child's medical history and answer questions related to potential side effects and risks associated with the vaccine.

**Need COVID-19 related resources or need help finding a vaccine event in your neighborhood?**

Contact the Arizona Department of Health Services Office of Health Equity at [healthequity@azdhs.gov](mailto:healthequity@azdhs.gov). **We can provide assistance in English and Spanish!**

**Here are some helpful resources for you and your child!**

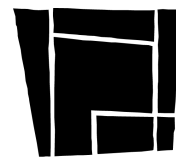
- [CDC COVID-19 toolkit for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities \(English and Spanish\)](#)
- [Autism Self-Advocacy Network COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet \(English and Spanish\)](#)
- [ADDPC COVID-19 Information Guide for Parents of Children with Disabilities \(English\)](#)
- [ADDPC COVID-19 Information Guide for Parents of Children with Disabilities \(Spanish\)](#)

For more information, please visit: [azhealth.gov/VaccinesforKids](https://azhealth.gov/VaccinesforKids) or reach out to us with questions: [healthequity@azdhs.gov](mailto:healthequity@azdhs.gov).

**Would you like to visit a community-based vaccine event or a clinic in your neighborhood?**

You can use the ADHS Find COVID-19 Vaccine online tool on a computer or mobile device to locate the nearest event. Please visit: [azhealth.gov/FindVaccines](https://azhealth.gov/FindVaccines) or type **ADHS Find Vaccine** into your favorite browser. This Find Vaccine website has a filter to search for vaccines by age group and location.

**Reminder: it is your right, under the law, to request reasonable accommodation for a disability, wherever you choose to get the vaccine. Use the contact information provided for an event to make a request.**



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