



spikevax[®]

COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA

by moderna



What to expect from your vaccine

The pandemic is over, but you can still get COVID-19.

Today, there are new variants of COVID-19 that are still making people really sick. As of September 2023, Spikevax by Moderna has been updated for the 2023-2024 season.



Spikevax isn't a booster—it's a new vaccine for a new variant.

Getting Spikevax can help keep you from becoming really sick during the COVID-19 season.



Spikevax can help prevent people 12 years of age and older from getting COVID-19.

What can you expect from your vaccine?

You may feel some common side effects like fatigue, headache, and chills. If you have any side effects that bother you or don't go away, call your healthcare provider. To learn more, see the safety information at the bottom of the page.



And how do you get Spikevax? **Just visit your local pharmacy or doctor's office.**

So, what are you waiting for?

What is SPIKEVAX (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA)?

SPIKEVAX is a vaccine to protect you against COVID-19. SPIKEVAX is for people 12 years of age and older. Vaccination with SPIKEVAX may not protect all people who receive the vaccine.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

Who should not get SPIKEVAX?

You should not get SPIKEVAX if you had:

- a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of SPIKEVAX, Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine (Original monovalent) or Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent
- a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine

Please click for [SPIKEVAX Full Prescribing Information and Information for Recipients and Caregivers.](#)

Before you get Spikevax

Tell your vaccination provider about all your medical conditions, including if you or your child:

- have any allergies
- had a severe allergic reaction after receiving a previous dose of any COVID-19 vaccine
- have had myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) or pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received any other COVID-19 vaccine
- have ever fainted in association with an injection

Spikevax can help protect children as young as 12 years old. For more information on the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine under Emergency Use Authorization [click here.](#)

After you get Spikevax

Some of the more common side effects are:

Injection site reactions:

- pain
- tenderness and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm of the injection
- swelling (hardness)
- redness

General side effects:

- fatigue
- headache
- muscle pain
- joint pain
- chills
- nausea and vomiting
- fever
- rash

According to the CDC, these side effects are normal and mean your body is building up the protection it needs to fight disease.

However, after a few days, if you or your child are still experiencing side effects, please talk to your vaccine provider.

Other reported side effects are:

- severe allergic reactions
- urticaria (itchy rash/hives)
- myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle)
- pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- fainting in association with injection of the vaccine



If you or your child experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1 or go to the nearest hospital. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include: difficulty breathing, swelling of your face and throat, a fast heartbeat, a bad rash all over your body, dizziness, and weakness.



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What should you mention to your vaccination provider before you get SPIKEVAX?

Tell your vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have any allergies
- had a severe allergic reaction after receiving a previous dose of any COVID-19 vaccine
- have had myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) or pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)

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IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

Tell your vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you: (cont'd)

- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine that affects your immune system
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received any other COVID-19 vaccine
- have ever fainted in association with an injection

How is SPIKEVAX given?

SPIKEVAX is given as a single dose injected into the muscle.

What are the risks of SPIKEVAX?

Severe allergic reactions have occurred in some people who have received SPIKEVAX, Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine (Original monovalent) and Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent. There is a very small chance that SPIKEVAX could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to 1 hour after getting a dose of SPIKEVAX. For this reason, your healthcare provider may ask you to stay for a short time at the place where you received your vaccine. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Trouble breathing
- Swelling of your face and throat
- A fast heartbeat
- A rash all over your body
- Dizziness and weakness

Myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle) and pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart) have occurred in some people who have received mRNA COVID-19 vaccines, including SPIKEVAX, Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine (Original monovalent) and Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent. Myocarditis and pericarditis following Moderna COVID-19 vaccines have occurred, most commonly in males 18 years through 24 years of age. In most of these individuals, symptoms began within a few days following vaccination. The chance of this happening is very low. You should seek medical attention right away if you or your child has any of the following symptoms after receiving the vaccine, particularly during the 2 weeks after receiving a dose of the vaccine:

- Chest pain
- Shortness of breath
- Feelings of having a fast-beating, fluttering, or pounding heart



IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION (cont'd)

Side effects that have been reported in clinical trials with SPIKEVAX, Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine (Original monovalent) and Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine, Bivalent include:

- Injection site reactions: pain, tenderness and swelling of the lymph nodes in the same arm of the injection, swelling (hardness), and redness
- General side effects: fatigue, headache, muscle pain, joint pain, chills, nausea and vomiting, fever, and rash

Other side effects that have been reported include:

- Severe allergic reactions
- Urticaria (itchy rash/hives)
- Myocarditis (inflammation of the heart muscle)
- Pericarditis (inflammation of the lining outside the heart)
- Fainting in association with injection of the vaccine

These may not be all the possible side effects of SPIKEVAX.

Ask your healthcare provider about any side effects that concern you.

You may report side effects to **Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)** at 1-800-822-7967 or <http://vaers.hhs.gov>.

If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital.

What if I am pregnant or breastfeeding?

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, discuss your options with your healthcare provider.

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