

COVID-19 Vaccines Mythbusters

The COVID-19 vaccine does NOT give people COVID.

Some people may be tired, sore or have a mild fever after vaccination – this is normal for all vaccines. Serious reactions from the vaccine are rare.

The vaccine is safe

In Australia, all vaccines given to the public are thoroughly tested and are safe. Billions of people have already been safely vaccinated around the world.

The COVID-19 vaccines do not contain a tracking microchip.

Microchips are too large to be administered through needle injection.

People of all ages can get COVID-19.

The elderly and people with medical conditions such as heart disease and diabetes are most at risk, but young people can also get very sick and die from COVID-19. Everyone getting vaccinated will help to protect those most at risk from COVID-19.

Even though you can still get COVID-19 after you've been vaccinated, you may not get as sick.

Getting vaccinated will help prevent you from getting very sick and needing to go to hospital. Keep up to date with your vaccinations.

You should still get the COVID-19 vaccination even if you have been infected with COVID-19

Getting COVID-19 doesn't give you enough natural immunity to protect you from getting sick again from COVID-19. Best protection from COVID-19 is getting vaccinated.

Women who are breastfeeding, or pregnant should get vaccinated.

It is especially important that these women get vaccinated. Pregnant women have a higher risk of severe illness from COVID-19 and their babies have a higher risk of being born prematurely. There is also no evidence that people who are trying to get pregnant have any safety concerns.

Safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines have been developed quickly for several reasons.

- A level of funding and commitment not seen before,
- The availability of new technologies; and
- Researchers and developers around the world working together.

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