

# YAY! I'M VACCINATED! ... NOW WHAT?

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## Have You Been Fully Vaccinated?

In general, people are considered fully vaccinated:

- 2 weeks after their 2nd dose in a 2-dose series, (Pfizer or Moderna vaccines), or
- 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine, such as Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine

If you don't meet these requirements, you are NOT fully vaccinated. Keep taking all precautions until you are fully vaccinated.

## Fully vaccinated? YAY! You Can Start Doing This Stuff...

- Gather indoors with fully vaccinated people without wearing a mask or staying 6 ft apart.
- Gather indoors with unvaccinated people of any age from one other household (for example, visiting with relatives who all live together) without masks or staying 6 feet apart, unless any of those people or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- Gather or conduct activities outdoors without wearing a mask except in certain crowded settings and venues.
- If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless you have symptoms. However, if you live in a group setting (like a correctional or detention facility or group home) and are around someone who has COVID-19, you should still get tested, even if you don't have symptoms.
- See CDC website for travel guidelines

## Even vaccinated, You Should KEEP Doing This Stuff...

- Protect yourself & others by wearing a mask that fits snugly against the sides of your face and doesn't have gaps. Wear a mask whenever you are:
  - In indoor public settings
  - Gathering indoors with unvaccinated people (including children) from more than one other household
  - Visiting indoors with an unvaccinated person who is at increased risk of severe illness or death from COVID-19 or who lives with a person at increased risk
- Avoid indoor large gatherings.
- Watch out for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if you've been around someone who is sick. If you have symptoms, you should get tested and stay home and away from others.
- Follow guidance at your workplace.
- People who have a condition or are taking medications that weaken the immune system, should talk to their healthcare provider to discuss their activities. They may need to keep taking all precautions to prevent COVID-19.
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### **What We Know**

- COVID-19 vaccines are effective at preventing COVID-19 disease, especially severe illness and death.
- Other prevention steps help stop the spread of COVID-19, and that these steps are still important, even as vaccines are being distributed.

### **What We're Still Learning**

- How effective the vaccines are against variants of the virus that causes COVID-19. Early data show the vaccines may work against some variants but could be less effective against others.
- How well the vaccines protect people with weakened immune systems, including people who take immunosuppressive medications.
- How well COVID-19 vaccines keep people from spreading the disease. Early data show that the vaccines may help keep people from spreading COVID-19, but we are learning more as more people get vaccinated.
- How long COVID-19 vaccines can protect people.

As we know more, CDC will continue to update our recommendations for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people. Until we know more about those questions, everyone—even people who've had their vaccines—should continue taking steps to protect themselves and others when recommended.

Hopefully this helps!

This document was compiled May 4, 2021 by Kat Gordon using the CDC website's current information. For official updates, health mandates, and recommendations, please visit the CDC website.