

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

At this time, we are not able to take names or create a waitlist of (non-healthcare related) people interested in receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

One recent change is the CDC and WI DHS recommendation related to quarantine of individuals who have received the vaccine. Those individuals who have received both doses of vaccine do not need to quarantine if they are a close contact of someone who has tested positive within 90 days after receiving the second dose. If the close contact is after the 90 days of receiving the second dose, quarantine recommendations remain the same at this time. For more information on this, please see [COVID-19 Health Alert # 27: Wisconsin has adopted the updated CDC quarantine guidance for fully vaccinated people who are exposed to COVID-19 \(govdelivery.com\)](#).

January 26, 2021 - [Vaccine Scheduling Updates](#)

January 25, 2021 - Press Release - [Door County Vaccine Update](#)

February 1, 2021 - [Press Release - Vaccine Clinic Updates](#)

February 9, 2021 - [Press Release - Vaccine Clinic Updates](#)

February 16, 2021 - [Press Release - Vaccine Clinic Updates](#)

We will make every effort to continue to provide updates about the vaccination plan as we receive it. You may also contact your local health care provider for information regarding the vaccine and your personal healthcare choices.

It is extremely important that everyone continue to follow the Public Health Guidelines such as staying home as much as possible (especially when sick), wearing a mask when in public, physical distancing,

and practicing good hand hygiene. These important practices will need to continue for some months even after receiving the vaccine.

Check out these educational and informational videos from Door County Public Health!

[How does the COVID-19 Vaccine Work?](#)

Should I get the COVID-19 Vaccine if I have already had COVID?

Due to the severe health risks associated with COVID-19 and the fact that re-infection with COVID-19 is possible, vaccine should be offered to you regardless of whether you already had COVID-19 infection.

At this time, experts do not know how long someone is protected from getting sick again after recovering from COVID-19. The immunity someone gains from having an infection, called natural immunity, varies from person to person. Some early evidence suggests natural immunity may not last very long.

We won't know how long immunity produced by vaccination lasts until we have more data on how well the vaccines work.

Both natural immunity and vaccine-induced immunity are important aspects of COVID-19 that experts are trying to learn more about, and CDC will keep the public informed as new evidence becomes available.

Why Do I Need Two Doses of the Vaccine?

For the current vaccines on the market, a few weeks after the second dose -- also called a "booster dose" -- the effectiveness of the vaccine is about 95%. The first dose is only about 50% effective after the first few weeks, leaving you vulnerable to getting sick. In order to best protect yourself and others from COVID-19, we recommend you receive both doses.

Do I still have to mask, social distance and quarantine if I have received both doses of the vaccine?

Even if you get the vaccine, you should continue to wear a mask around others, wash your hands and practice physical distancing. There are a few reasons for this. The first is that both of the authorized vaccines require two doses given three to four weeks apart to achieve the best possible immunity. When you get your first shot, you don't become immediately immune. It takes at least a week to 10 days for your body to begin to develop antibodies, and then those antibodies continue to increase over the next several weeks.

The second is that these vaccines were developed and tested for their ability to prevent severe illness and death from COVID-19. It's not clear whether they also protect against asymptomatic infection and spread.

COVID-19 Vaccine: Myth Vs Fact

When Can I Get a Vaccine?

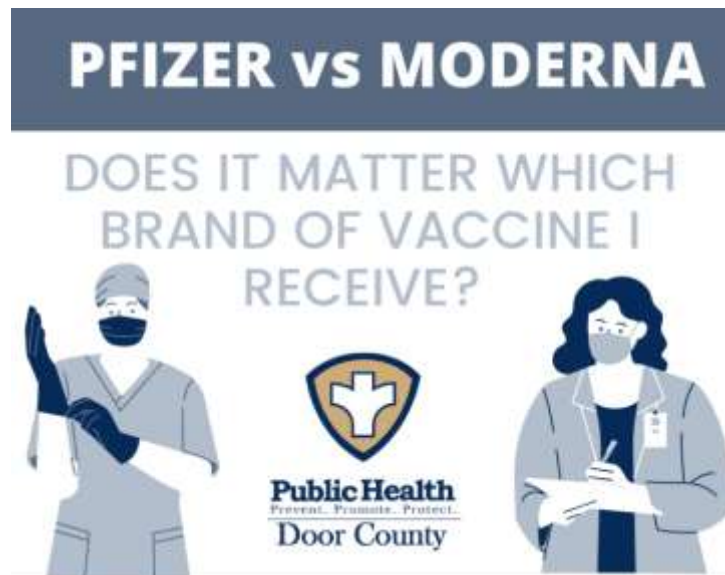
Door County Public Health has received the Pfizer vaccine so far.

You can read more about the vaccines here

[Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet](#)

The federal government allocates COVID-19 vaccine to Wisconsin based on population size. Once the vaccine is allocated, Wisconsin places an order with the federal government so they know exactly where to send the vaccine. Orders may not include the entire federal allocation due to limited storage space or to ensure hospitals and clinics are not overwhelmed with more doses than can safely be administered in a week.

Door County is working diligently to provide vaccine safely and effectively to our community.



There are several questions as to what brand of vaccine you should get. Both Pfizer and Moderna are effective vaccines against COVID-19. There is no specific population that should receive a certain brand. To date, Door County Public Health has been sent only the Pfizer brand vaccine. We are not able to request which brand we get; the state makes those allocation decisions