



## Definitions

**Vaccine** - Vaccines are injections (shots), liquids, pills, or nasal sprays that you take to teach your body's immune system to recognize and defend against harmful germs.

**mRNA vaccine** - mRNA vaccines teach your cells how to make a protein (or just a piece of a protein) that triggers an immune response. This builds immunity and protects you from getting infected if the real virus enters your body. The COVID-19 vaccine is a mRNA vaccine.

## Panel Questions:

What is “herd immunity” and how many people need to get vaccinated for the US to reach herd immunity?

Why are some individuals and groups hesitant to receive vaccines particularly communities of color? And what would you like those who might be hesitant to know specifically about the COVID-19 vaccine?

What can you share with us about the safety and efficacy of the COVID-19 vaccine?

Could you share a bit about how vaccines are developed and specifically how the COVID-19 vaccines were developed?

People are encouraged to receive a flu vaccine every year. What is the likelihood that people will also be asked to receive a COVID-19 vaccine every year?

How can someone who isn't online or tech savvy stay up-to-date on getting the vaccine and current information about Covid-19?

Will the vaccine be modified to address the Covid-19 variants – U.K., South Africa, and Brazil strains?

What does it mean that the FDA provided emergency use authorization for the COVID-19 vaccines?

Can vaccinated people still spread the virus?

## **Read**

[The New COVID-19 Vaccine: Answers To All the Hard Questions](#)

[Facts about COVID-19 Vaccines from the CDC](#)

[How do Vaccines Work? From the World Health Organization](#)

[Your Questions about Coronavirus Vaccines Answered](#)

## **Watch**

[The Science Behind COVID-19 Vaccines](#) – Northeastern University Faculty Answer Questions about the COVID-19 Vaccine via Facebook Live

[Answering your Questions about the COVID-19 Vaccines](#) - National Education Association hosts a panel discussion about COVID-19 Vaccines

## **Listen**

[Track the Vax](#) – Podcast from Medpage Today

[Don't Hesitate, Dive into data for COVID-19 Vaccine](#) – Podcase from the Mayo Clinic

## **Explore**

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#): Questions and Answers from the CDC on efficacy, safety, and what to expect when getting the vaccine.

[Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment](#): Find out more about the vaccine rollout schedule in Colorado, find a vaccine provider close to you, and find answers to questions about getting the vaccine.

[El Paso County Public Health](#): Find out more about vaccine rollout within the county with the COVID-19 Vaccine Dashboard.