

COVID-19 Vaccine

Reduce your risk, protect yourselves, your friends and family

You are strongly advised to have the vaccination, unless you experience severe allergic reactions, in which case, please speak to your GP.

The vaccine has been tested in **more than 20,000 people** in several different countries and **shown to be safe**.

The vaccine has been proved to be **highly effective**. Even if you are fit and healthy, you are still at risk of getting COVID-19.

*BOOK ONLINE

Frontline health care or **social workers** and people in receipt of **carers allowance** can visit: wolverhampton.gov.uk/bookavaccination

**HELP GETTING TO YOUR APPOINTMENT

If you **do not** have friends or family to take you to your vaccine appointment, **NHS responders** can help free of charge. Their number is **0808 196 3646**.



After having the COVID-19 vaccine

Even though it is still possible to catch and spread Covid-19 after having a vaccine, the vaccination will **significantly reduce the chances of you getting severe symptoms or dying from the virus**.

You will still have to follow current restrictions even after getting your vaccination.

COVID-19 Vaccination Myths & Facts

| MYTHS | FACTS |
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| <i>The vaccine will give me COVID-19</i> | The vaccine cannot give you COVID-19 |
| <i>The vaccine is not safe, it went through the approval process too quickly</i> | The vaccines have gone through clinical trials and safety checks like all other medicines and approved by Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency) |
| <i>The vaccine causes severe side effects</i> | Most side effects of the COVID-19 vaccine are mild and should not last longer than a week |
| <i>I've had COVID-19 so I'm immune and don't need it</i> | We don't know that you can't have COVID-19 twice, so you should still have your vaccine for maximum protection |
| <i>The vaccine contains ingredients that go against my beliefs</i> | There is no foetal or animal material, including eggs, in the vaccine |
| <i>The vaccine causes infertility</i> | There is no evidence that the vaccine impacts on fertility |
| <i>The vaccine will change my DNA</i> | The vaccine will not change your DNA . It instructs your body to develop an immune system response |
| <i>The vaccine contains microchips for tracking purposes</i> | The vaccines do not contain any tracking technology |



How does it work? The vaccines simply act as a messenger, teaching your body **how to create antibodies** in case you encounter the COVID-19 infection at a later date.

To access information on the vaccine in BSL, Easy Read and other languages, please visit:
wolverhampton.gov.uk/vaccine

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