

# EliteMed Health

## *Frequently Asked Questions*

**How many doses are required to complete the series?** This is a 2-dose primary series, it is unclear at this time if a booster will be needed in children under 12 years of age.

**How long should we wait before getting the 2nd dose?** The 2nd dose is available 21 days or longer after the initial dose. It is recommended to get the 2nd dose as soon as possible after that 21 day period (21-42 days).

**My child has vaccine anxiety, what will you do to help during the process?** If your child has a history of vaccine induced anxiety (screaming, hitting, fainting, etc), please let us know! We typically conduct vaccines in the patient's car, but under these circumstances we will invite you into the facility. We have a clean and inviting patient area where we can conduct the appointment. We use proven techniques such as storytelling, music, games, discussing the patient's interests, breathing techniques, validation of each child's feelings and concerns, etc.

**Will the vaccine give me or my child COVID-19?** According to research, this vaccine cannot give the patient a COVID-19 infection. If a positive COVID-19 test occurs after the vaccine is administered, it is due to exposure and considered a legitimate COVID-19 infection.

**Does your facility accept Medicaid/CHIPS? How do I know if you accept my insurance?** Yes! We are able to accept any insurance for COVID-19 related services and can guarantee that you will not receive any surprise bills.

**How much will I be charged for this service?** There is a \$0 patient cost associated with receiving this vaccine! The federal government is providing all COVID-19 vaccine doses free of charge, and insurance or the CARES act will cover the vaccine administration in full.

**How long are patients monitored for adverse reactions?** We require patients to stay on site for a minimum of 15 minutes for monitoring, and up to 30 minutes depending upon health history and contraindications.

**What ages qualify for the pediatric vaccine?** Ages 5-11 qualify for the pediatric vaccine, ages 12 and older will receive the "adult" vaccine.

**Can my child get other vaccines the same day as the COVID-19 vaccine?**

Yes! Although our facility only offers COVID-19 vaccination, the FDA and CDC says that other vaccines can be administered the same day.

**Should I give my child ibuprofen or Tylenol prior to the vaccine to lessen the side-effect?** It is **not recommended** you give pain relievers before vaccination to try to prevent side effects.

**What are the possible side-effects?** On the arm where your child got the shot; Pain, redness, swelling. Throughout the rest of their body; Tiredness, headache, muscle pain, chills, fever, nausea. These side effects may affect your child's ability to do daily activities, but they should go away in a few days. Some people have no side effects and severe allergic reactions are rare.

**Who should NOT get this vaccine?** According to the FDA and CDC, If your child has had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine or has had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine they should not receive this vaccine.

**My child is 11 for the 1st dose, but will be 12 before the 2nd dose, how will this work?** Per guidance from the FDA and DSHS - In this specific scenario the child will receive the pediatric vaccine for the 1st dose at age 11, and then will receive an "adult" dose for their 2nd dose at age 12.

**How many mL are administered?** The pediatric dose is 0.2 mL

**My child is 4, but turns 5 in a few days, can we go ahead and get the 1st dose now?** No. COVID-19 vaccines will not be administered prior to the child's 5th birthday.

**How and where on the body is the vaccine given?** The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to your child as an injection into the muscle. Please have the child wear a loose fitting short sleeved shirt as the preferred injection site is the upper arm.

**What are the ingredients in this vaccine?** The vaccine includes the following ingredients: mRNA, lipids ((4-hydroxybutyl)azanediyl) bis(hexane-6,1-diyl)bis(2-hexyldecanoate), 2 [(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N,N-ditetradecylacetamide, 1,2-Distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine, and cholesterol), tromethamine, tromethamine hydrochloride, sucrose, and sodium chloride.

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Monday- Thursday, 8 AM- 5 PM

Friday, 8 AM- 4 PM

Saturday, 9 AM- 3:30 PM

Sunday, 9 AM- 3:30 PM