

# What Fully Vaccinated People Need to Know

COVID-19 vaccines work well to prevent you from getting and spreading COVID-19. According to Center for Disease Control (CDC), currently available vaccines provide protection against current COVID variants. Once you're fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you can resume activities that you did prior to the pandemic.

## When is someone fully vaccinated?

You're fully vaccinated 2 weeks after your final dose of a COVID-19 vaccine:

- 2 weeks after your second shot of the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna vaccine.
- 2 weeks after your one and only shot of Johnson & Johnson's Janssen vaccine.

## What can fully vaccinated people do?

- According to CDC, if you're fully vaccinated, you DON'T have to wear a mask indoors or outdoors in public (except health care settings, shelters, k-12 school settings, and correctional facilities), and you DON'T have to keep your distance from other people. ***\*Los Angeles County Department of Public Health requires residents of Los Angeles County to wear a mask in indoor public spaces regardless of vaccine status.***
- Vaccinated and unvaccinated people must still follow federal, state, local, tribal, and territorial laws, rules, and regulations. That includes public transportation, airport/airplane, local business, and workplace guidance.
- Also, if you have a medical condition or you take medicines that weaken your immune system, you may NOT be fully protected from COVID-19 even if you're fully vaccinated. Talk to your health care provider. Even after vaccination, you may need to continue taking precautions.

## What should unvaccinated people do to protect themselves and others from COVID-19?

Until you're fully vaccinated, you should continue to:

- Wear a mask when you're inside public places.
- Stay at least 6 feet (that's 2 arm lengths) apart from people who don't live with you and who may not be vaccinated.
- Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated spaces.
- Wash your hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds or use hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol when soap and water aren't available.

Public health officials continue to update recommendations for both vaccinated and unvaccinated people. For the latest guidance, visit [cdc.gov/coronavirus](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus). For more information on vaccines go to [www.vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov).

