



**TOGETHER WE CAN STOP THE SPREAD
GET VACCINATED WHEN YOU ARE ELIGIBLE
WEAR YOUR MASK
SOCIAL DISTANCE AND WASH YOUR HANDS.**

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Ridgefield, CT: March 26, 2021: **TAKING THE MYSTERY OUT OF VACCINES:** *The Town of Ridgefield Vaccination Clinic which is provided by the Town Health Department in partnership with RVNAhealth currently only has **Moderna** vaccine which is restricted to ages 18 and older.*

Vaccine type	Age Restriction	Doses needed	Recommended Time Between Doses
Pfizer: mRNA vaccine	16 plus	2	21 days
Moderna: mRNA vaccine	18 plus	2	28 days
Johnson & Johnson: Viral vector vaccine	18 plus	1	N/A

Once I'm vaccinated, can I stop wearing a mask and social distancing?

No. Not everyone you come into contact with will have received the vaccine, and you may still be able to spread COVID-19. It is critical to follow basic public health best practices for the foreseeable future.

How do we know the vaccines are safe?

The Pfizer vaccine alone had a trial of over 40,000 people over a period of many months without any serious incidents. No vaccines will be available to the public without the review of the federal government and the Science Subcommittee of Governor Lamont's Vaccine Advisory Group. In Connecticut, we continue to make every decision with public health as a number one priority.

Can the vaccine give me COVID-19?

No. None of the COVID-19 vaccines currently authorized for use or in development in the United States use the live virus that causes COVID-19. However, it typically takes a few weeks for the body to build immunity after vaccination. That means it's possible you could be infected with the virus that causes COVID-19 just before or just after vaccination and get sick.

When am I considered fully vaccinated?

According to the CDC, you're not considered fully vaccinated until it's been at least two weeks since your second dose of a two-dose series like Pfizer's or Moderna's vaccine, or it's been two weeks since you received a single-dose vaccine like Johnson & Johnson's.

All information has been provided by the State of Connecticut website unless otherwise stated: **For more detailed information go to:** <https://portal.ct.gov/vaccine-portal/COVID-19-Vaccination-FAQ>

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