COVID Vaccines for Babies & Children: Frequently Asked Questions
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Wueic laaix haaiy diuc jauv-louc yie cingx horpc zuqc dorh fu’jueiv mingh nziepv ndie liouh mbungh nqaeqv COVID baengc?

- COVID se haih jiez hoic zuqc fu’jueiv butv baengc.
  - Yiem njiec jieq gorn faanv benx Omicron yiem lungh juangv bouc dauh yiem naaiv norm hnyangx 2021-22 wuov buatc maaih fu’jueiv-lunx bieqc zorc baengc yiem gorn zangc jaa faaux siepv haic.
  - Taux naaiv hmz hlaax 28, 2022 bouc dauh buatc maaih fu’jueiv-lunx butv COVID baengc hoic guangc maengc taux 442 dauh fu’jueiv-lunx dungh hnyangx-jeiv 5 hnyangx njiec daaith nyei buonc.
- Ih zanc se buatc COVID haih jiez bun butv baengc bieqc zorc baengc aengx caux haih hoic fu’jueiv-lunx guangc maengc se mv gaengh camv mbaruqc domh mienh, mv baac naaiv diuc COVID baengc corc hiusang haih jiez bun fu’jueiv butv baengc kouv. Naaiy diuc domh wuon-baengc faanv hoic tong lungh ndiev se duqv hoic ziez baeqv waanc dauh domh mienh guangc maengc. Ninh se maiv zeiz gornxw wueic laaix jaa- nziouv hnamv mv zaaic gornxw naaiv diuc baengc haih maaih zoux hoic domh mienh guangc maengc ndongc naaiv camv, maiv dungx bungz laangc gornxw mv butv hoic fu’jueiv camv se mv benx haaix nyungx oc. Ih zanc naaiv norm bouc dauh maaih jieq ndaangc 400 buonc huov jaa maaih kungx deic eiv mv maaih mienh zueix aengx caux ndorm-ndorm dimc jienv domh dieh zueiv mangc hnaangv.
- Yie mbuo mv haih funx mv cuotv hnamv duqv zaaic gornxw haaix dauh fu’jueiv haih nyiez zuqc COVID liuz kouv – buatc maaih jieq ndaangc yietc gouy nyei buonc fu’jueiv dungh nyiez zuqc baengc bieqc zorc nyei buonc yaac mv buatc maaih jieq buonc-sin baengc zorp.
- Ih zanc mbuo se oix zuqc dorh fu’jueiv nziepv ndie nqaeqv longx naaic diuc baengc maiv bun hoic maengc.
- Nziepv ndie nqaeqv baengc bun fu’jueiv corc se haih zoux bun ninh mbuo sin zangc ngaengc caengz henv aengx caux njiec horqc dorngh yaac mv maaih da’nyeic diuc baengc hoic ndorm zinh nziouv hmuangx jauv-louc.
Why should I vaccinate my child against COVID?

- COVID is a risk for young children.
  - Hospitalizations rose sharply in young children during the first Omicron wave in winter 2021-22.
  - As of May 28, 2022 there have been 442 COVID deaths in children under the age of 5.
- While the risk of hospitalization and death from COVID is much lower in children than adults, children are still at risk from COVID. The global pandemic has taken the lives of millions of adults. Just because the number of adult deaths has been unimaginably high, however, does not mean the impact to children has been insignificant. Over 400 families now have empty high chairs and booster seats at their tables each morning.
- We can’t predict which children will have severe illness from a COVID infection – more than half of children who have been hospitalized don’t have any underlying medical conditions.
- We can now prevent the death of children by getting them vaccinated.
- Vaccinating children can also help keep them healthy and in school, avoiding further disruption to their routines.

Nziepv naaiv nyungc ndie liouh nmbungh qaeqv COVID baengc wuov se kungx benx longx nyei jauv-louc bun fu’jueiv hngav saqc?

- Zeiz nyei, nziepv naaiv hoc ndie liouh nqaev COVID-19 baengc se mv maaih haaix nyungc hoic fu’jueiv-lunx yiem 5 hnyangx njiec daaih nyei buonc oc.
- Ninh mbuo zorc baengc gorn zangc jaa-nziouv duqv dorh gu’nguaaz aengx caux fu’jueiv-lunx dungh hnyangx-jeiv mv zaac 5 hnyangx nyei buonc daaib seiz mangc gauh camv jiex 9,000 dauh mi’aqc aengx caux duqv dorh fu’jueiv maaih hnyangx-jeiv yiem naaiv 5-11 hnyangx gauh camv jiex 10 ziepc cin waanc dauh mingh nziepv naaiv diuc ndie liouh nqaev COVID.
- Maaih nzunc baav naaiv nyungc ndie-nqaevq se haih benx diuc baav baengc a’fai butv juangv, mv baac benx dangh haav hngav, mv haih zoux hoic bun butv baengc kouv. Beiv taux nziepv liuz ndie bun fu’jueiv yiem 5 hnyangx daav njiec nyei buonc wuov se haih zoux bun ninh mbou mun a’fai wuom yiem sim-nzuih dorngx, butv juangv, m’nqornmg mun, sin jorm aengx caux sin zangc mun mbai. Se gormgv buatc benx hngav naaiv nor yaac funx benx gormgv naaiv diuc ndie tengx meih nyei fu’jueiv mbungh nqaevq jienv baengc aqv.
- Horpc nziepv camv zoqc ndongc haaix aengx caux haaix zanc horpc baav naaiv diuc ndie-nqaevq se benx ninh mbuo jaa-nziouv duqv ciez cuoq aengx caux zaah seiz mangc longc liuz yaac mv buatc maaih haaix diuc haih hoic sin zangc aengx caux buatc puix horpc fu’jueiv-lunx mi’aqc. Nziepv naaiv diuc ndie camv zoqc ndongc haaix wuov ninh se bangc ei meih nyei fu’jueiv mbungh sin zorngh puix, ninh yaac mv zeiz ziuq fu’jueiv hlo faix lomh haaix, wueic zuqc benx hngav ninh kungx ziuq fu’jueiv nyei hnyangx-jeiv nziepv, mv zeiz bangc hniev-souz funx.
English: Is the COVID vaccine safe for my child?

- Yes, the COVID-19 vaccines are safe for kids under 5.
- The clinical trials included more than 9,000 babies and children under 5, and more than 10 million children ages 5-11 have been vaccinated against COVID.
- The vaccine might cause some mild to moderate, temporary reactions that are not dangerous. Children under 5 experienced pain and redness at the injection site, fever, headaches, chills, and muscle pain. These reactions mean your child’s immune system is working to protect them.
- The dosage and timing of the vaccine has been specifically developed and tested to be safe and effective in the youngest kids. The dosage is based on the maturity of your child’s immune system, not on the size of your child, which is why it is based on age and not weight.
- The risk of myocarditis and pericarditis, a very rare vaccine side effect that has been seen especially in adolescent males, appears to be very low for children under 5 (lower than for adults and adolescents). There were no cases in the trials, and experts will continue to monitor for this rare side effect in real-world use.
- We have more data on the safety of the COVID-19 vaccines than we will EVER have for most medicines, vitamins, or nutritional supplements.
- Even after vaccines are approved, safety systems are constantly monitoring for any rare side effects or safety concerns.
Where can I get the vaccine for my child?

- An initial supply of 10 million doses will be available the first week with a second round of doses available the following week.
- Parents can visit vaccines.gov to view the nearest available COVID-19 vaccine options for their children. All states are ensuring they have vaccines available at public health departments in case a child does not have a personal health care provider or in the case that some providers are unable to stock the vaccine due to storage requirements.
**English: Can my child get a COVID vaccine at the same time as other vaccines?**

- Yes, children can get the COVID vaccine at the same time as other vaccines.
- Babies and children under 5 often get more than one vaccine at a time when they visit their pediatrician. These recommended vaccines provide protection against 14 dangerous diseases – and now COVID-19 too.
- Many families missed getting routine vaccines during the pandemic, so making an appointment with your child’s healthcare provider to get the COVID-19 vaccine is a good time to get caught up on any missed vaccines, too.
- Routine wellness vaccines prevent an average of 1,913 illnesses per hour, 2,685 hospitalizations per day, and 720 early deaths per week in the United States. They are one of our most important tools for keeping our children and families healthy.

**Horpc zuqc dorh yie njei fu’jueiv mingh nziepv ndie nqaeqv taux COVID njei se gorngv ningh mbuo duqv benx jiex COVID?**

- Zeiz njei. Dungh benx jiex baengc njei buonc wuov ningh yaac mv funx gorngv haih mbungh beu gorngv mv butv siang-baengc oc, beiv taux naaiv diuc siang baengc heuc Omicron wuov.
- Nziepv ndie se tengx jaa mbungh nqaeqv bun mbungh sin henv faaux mv bun haih maaih da’anyeic diuc baengc daaih faan hoic.
- Se gorngv meih njei fu’jueiv duqv benx jiex COVID mi’aqc, meih se haih dorh ningh mbuo mingh nziepv da’anyeia baan ndie-nqaeqv yiem 3 hlaax njeiqc bouc dauh dungh ninh mbuo jiek gorn butv baengc a’fai zaah buatc benx baengc wuov funx daaih. Buangh ca’laangh caux meih njei goux heng-wangc ndie-sai tengx cuotv za’eix gorngv oix longc benx haaix diuc jauv-louc liouh puix horpc bouc bun meih njei fu’jueiv wuov.

**English: Should my child get a COVID vaccine if they’ve already had COVID?**

- Yes. Prior infection does not protect as well against getting infected again, especially with the newer virus variants like Omicron.
- Getting vaccinated provides a boost in protection without the risk that comes with infection.
- If your child was infected with COVID, their next vaccine dose can be delayed 3 months from when symptoms started or when they tested positive. Talk to your care provider to make the best decision for your child.