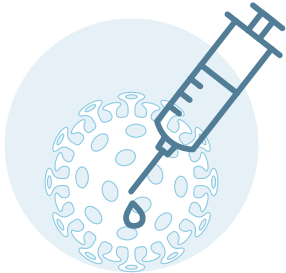




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# The facts about COVID-19 Vaccines



## What is the COVID-19 vaccine?

Vaccines are products that produce immunity to a specific disease like COVID-19. When you are immune to COVID-19 that means you can be exposed to it without becoming sick or if you do become infected, it prevents more severe illness.

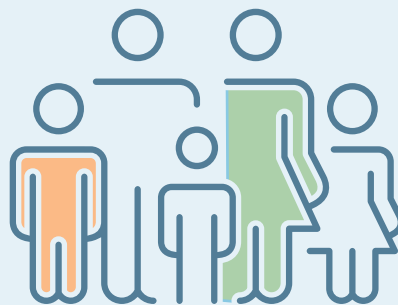
### WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO GET A COVID-19 VACCINATION?

#### THE VACCINES WORK



COVID-19 vaccines provide excellent protection against the virus that causes COVID-19 – preventing up to 95% of infections.

#### THE VACCINES WILL SAVE LIVES



The vaccine protects you and the people around you, too. The more people that are vaccinated, the harder it is for COVID-19 to spread.

#### THE VACCINES ARE SAFE



Just like all vaccines approved for use in Canada, the COVID-19 vaccines have been rigorously tested and carefully reviewed by Health Canada.

### PROTECTING FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE IS A PRIORITY

December



COVID-19 vaccines began rolling out to First Nations in BC at the end of December, 2020, and will be made more widely available over the next few months. The FNHA's Medical Officers strongly recommend that First Nations people opt to get the vaccine to protect you, your loved ones, Elders, and others in your community.



Even with the COVID-19 vaccines, we need to continue practising all recommended public health measures.

**STAY STRONG,  
STAY THE COURSE.**

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