

DID YOU KNOW?



Researchers have been studying and working with mRNA vaccines for decades¹.

mRNA — the versatile technology used in both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines — has been used for other infectious diseases, such as Zika and rabies. The research done for COVID-19 was based on previous epidemics, such as SARS and MERS. mRNA teaches our cells how to make the protein that triggers an immune response inside our bodies to protect against the Coronavirus. In fact, researchers are now investigating mRNA vaccines to treat cancer.

Clinical Trials for the COVID-19 Vaccines Represent a Diverse Population.

COVID-19 clinical trials achieved greater diversity than many previous trials for other drugs and vaccines². In fact, Moderna even slowed down enrollment to try to enroll more racial and ethnic minorities. "I would rather we have higher diverse participants and take one extra week," said Moderna CEO Stephane Bancel³. Meanwhile, Pfizer reported 42% participation from "racially and ethnically diverse backgrounds."⁴



COVID-19 Clinical Trials Utilized Ten Times More Volunteers Than Typical Clinical Trials⁵.

Unlike other early clinical trials for new vaccines which utilize approximately 3,000 participants, the early COVID-19 vaccine clinical trials utilized over 30,000 volunteers each. Due to the dire situation caused by the pandemic, COVID-19 clinical trials utilized ten times more volunteers than typical clinical trials, allowing safety data to be collected and analyzed in a four-month timeframe, accounting for the quick development of the vaccines.



Two weeks after you receive your second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines, or your single dose of the J&J vaccine, you are considered fully vaccinated¹.

When you've been fully vaccinated, where safe to do so, you can resume certain activities without wearing a mask or staying 6 feet apart, except where required by federal, state, local, tribal or territorial laws, rules and regulations. Data from both the clinical trials and real-world studies show the COVID-19 vaccines are incredibly effective at preventing sickness, hospitalization and death. Recent studies show the vaccines work against the new variants of the virus identified so far and prevent transmission of the virus to other people.

You Can Get Free Transportation to Receive Your COVID-19 Vaccine Throughout New Jersey.

Uber Free Vaccine Rides:
tinyurl.com/4mkcx9b2

VAXRIDENJ: www.njtransit.com/vaxride

Ride United: tinyurl.com/st7w3h92

Plus, health insurance is not required in order to receive a COVID-19 vaccine and free childcare is available. Visit www.vaccines.gov.

¹ CDC.org

² KFF: "Racial Diversity within COVID-19 Vaccine Clinical Trials: Key Questions and Answers"

³ CNBC: "Moderna Slows Coronavirus Vaccine Trial Enrollment to Ensure Minority Representation, CEO Says"

⁴ Marketplace: "Why Pfizer Says it Pushed for Transparency and Diversity in Vaccine Development Process"

⁵ CDC: "COVID-19 Vaccines: How Do We Know They are Safe"

