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The Federal Retail Pharmacy Program for COVID-19 Vaccination

A Collaboration Between the Federal Government, States and Territories, and 21 National Pharmacy Partners and Independent Pharmacy Networks Nationwide



Federal Retail Pharmacy Program Highlights

- As of October 18, 2022, more than 276.4 million doses of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered and reported by Federal Retail Pharmacy Program participants in the US. This includes 8 million doses administered onsite to long-term care facilities in the early days of the COVID-19 vaccination program.
- A total of 21 retail pharmacy partners are participating in the program, with more than 41,000 locations nationwide. This includes long-term care pharmacies.

The Federal Retail Pharmacy Program (FRPP) for COVID-19 Vaccination is one part of the federal government's strategy to ensure access to COVID-19 vaccines for the American public. Pharmacies are readily accessible in communities – with most Americans living within five miles of a pharmacy. Recognizing this, the federal government made pharmacies a key part of its COVID-19 vaccination strategy.

Additionally, COVID-19 vaccine is free of charge for everyone. Increasing the number of places where people can get vaccinated for COVID-19 will help ensure more people are protected, ultimately helping us end this pandemic.

How the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program Works

The FRPP is designed to use the strength and expertise of pharmacy partners to help rapidly and conveniently vaccinate the American public. Through the program, certain participating retail pharmacies nationwide receive COVID-19 vaccine supply directly from the federal government, and then provide vaccinations to eligible individuals at no cost.

The program relies on collaborations between public health agencies (CDC, state, local, and territorial health departments) to encourage individuals to go to pharmacies and get vaccinated.

Community outreach remains critical to educating people about the importance of vaccination and where vaccines are available nearby. For more information, see [12 COVID-19 Vaccination Strategies for Your Community](#).



Participating Retail Pharmacies



Connecting with Federal Pharmacy Partners

COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility and Availability

- Everyone 6 months of age and older [is eligible](#) to get a COVID-19 vaccination. Detailed information can be found in CDC’s Use of COVID-19 Vaccines in the U.S. and the CDC Summary Document for Interim Clinical Considerations.
- To find locations that administer COVID-19 vaccinations, you can visit [Vaccines.gov](#); text your zip code to 438829 (GETVAX); call 1-800-232-0233; or check your state health department website. Visit [How Do I Find a COVID-19 Vaccine](#) to learn more.
- Individuals interested in getting vaccinated at their local pharmacy should check the pharmacy’s website to find out if COVID-19 vaccine is available. Most pharmacy locations are now offering walk-in vaccination appointments as supply allows.

› **Learn more about who is eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine booster shot:** [COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Eligibility](#).

Additional Resources

[COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens](#)

[Connecting Long-Term Care Settings with Federal Pharmacy Partners](#)

[COVID-19 Vaccines Are Free to the Public](#)

[How the Federal Retail Pharmacy Program Works](#)

[CDC COVID Data Tracker](#)

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