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What Louisiana Nonprofits Need to Know about the COVID-19 Vaccine  
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## Meet Our Experts!



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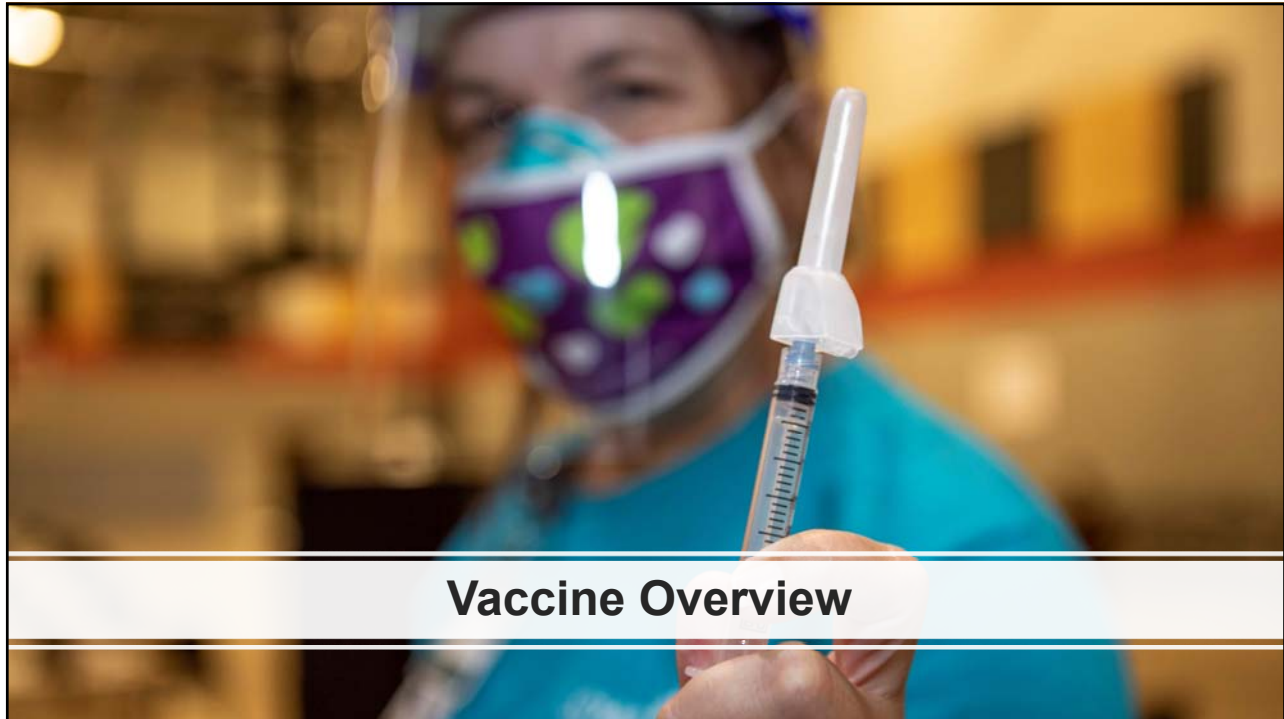
# COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution in New Orleans

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City of New Orleans  
January 2021



**The Beginning of the End**



## Vaccine Overview

### Vaccine Development & Authorization



#### Vaccine Development

- Traditional vaccine development takes years to complete.
- Overlapping phases shorten development time during an outbreak.
- Multiple COVID-19 vaccines are in development.



#### FDA Authorization

- The FDA is responsible for approving all vaccines.
- During pandemics, new vaccines receive an emergency-use-authorization if they are over 50% effective and shown to be safe through clinical trials.



#### Priority Groups

- The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices is a group of non-governmental, non-partisan medical and public health professionals that make national recommendations on all vaccines.
- ACIP issues recommendations regarding who should receive each vaccine once it receives the EUA.

## What is a mRNA vaccine?



• mRNA vaccines do not contain COVID-19 virus



mRNA vaccines contain messenger RNA that create a protein found on the surface of the COVID-19 virus. The mRNA then breaks down and doesn't impact your body.



The immune system recognizes the protein that was created and thinks it is being infected by a virus. So it starts making antibodies to fight the virus.



The immune system figures out it is not being infected, but now has learned how to recognize the protein and fight the virus faster.

## Pfizer & Moderna Vaccines

### SIMILARITIES

- mRNA vaccine
- Approved by FDA for Emergency Use
- Over 10 million doses given since Dec. 14

### DIFFERENCES

- Pfizer is 2 shots 21 days apart
- Moderna is 2 shots 28 days apart


### Clinical Trial Highlights

- Each trial had 30,000 or 44,000 participants
- Individuals were followed for about 2 months after receiving the second dose
- Participants had more side effects after the second dose including sore arm, fatigue, headaches, muscle pain, chills, fever, joint pain. Severe reactions were uncommon
- **Both vaccines showed 95% efficacy**


## Vaccine Side Effects

- 85% (Pfizer) and 91% (Moderna) experienced side effects of the vaccine. In both cases, more people experienced the side effects after the second dose.
- These side effects do not mean that you have COVID-19, but that your immune system has been activated which is causing mild symptoms.
- Most side effects resolve within 24 hours.



 Pain at injection site

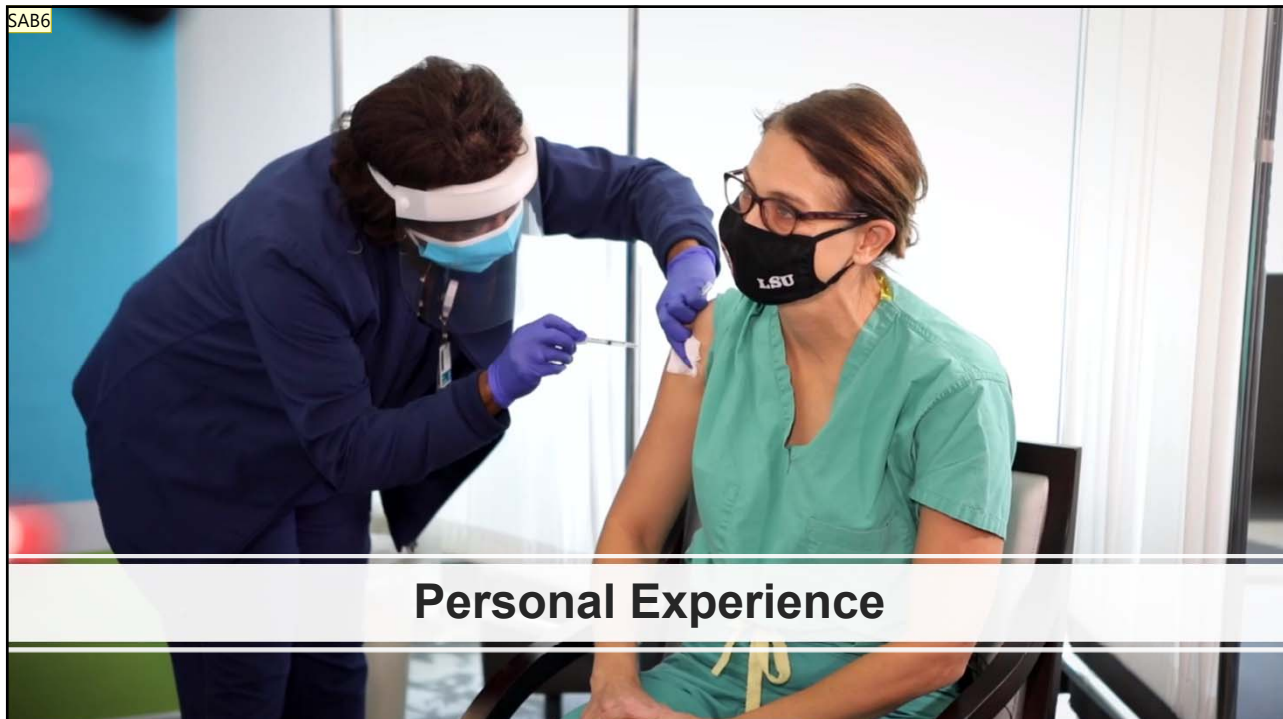
 Fatigue

 Headache

 Fever and chills

 Joint pain

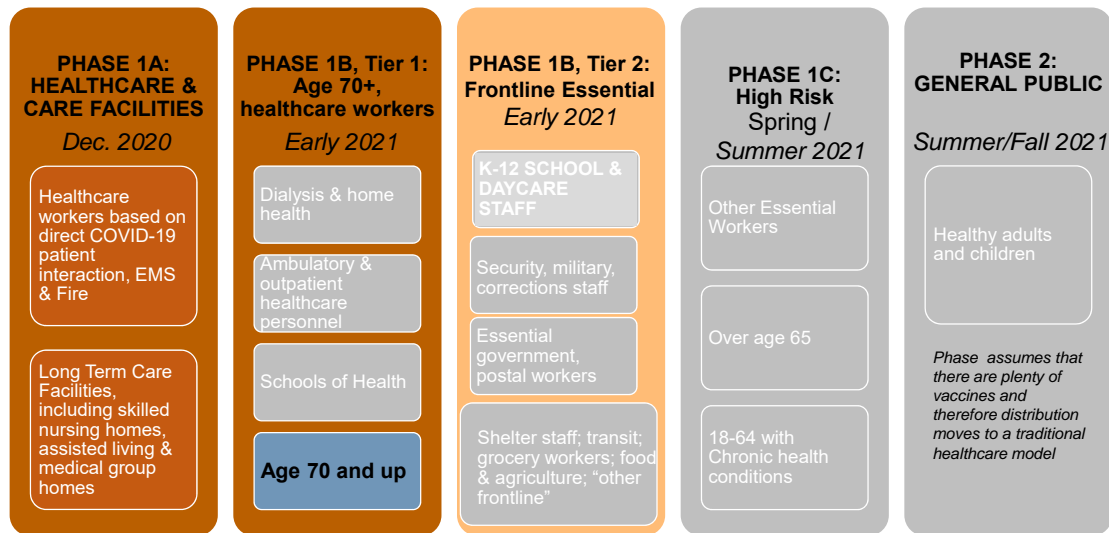
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## Phases of Vaccine Distribution



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## Vaccine Distribution

- Vaccines will be provided at no cost. Health insurance information may be collected to cover administration fees, but insurance will never be required.
- No photo identification is required.
- No proof of pre-existing conditions is required.
- We will only collect information required to keep track of who had received the vaccine.
- You will receive a vaccination card, showing that you received the vaccine.
- We will only contact you afterwards to remind you to return for a second dose.

## By Getting the Vaccine, You Will:



Relieve healthcare workers



Protect high-risk residents



Keep your family safe



Support local businesses



Help get NOLA back to normal

## Community Questions

1. Have the vaccines been tested on people with underlying health conditions?

1. What is the risk of side effects and allergic reactions?

1. Should I get the vaccine if I have already had COVID-19?

1. Will I be able to choose which vaccine I receive? Does the second dose need to be the same?

1. Will the vaccine be mandatory? Can my employer force me to get the vaccine?

1. Where will vaccine sites be located and how will people get there?

1. Can I stop wearing a mask after I get the vaccine?

1. When will life get back to normal?



## Next Steps for Community Leaders



Share this information with your community



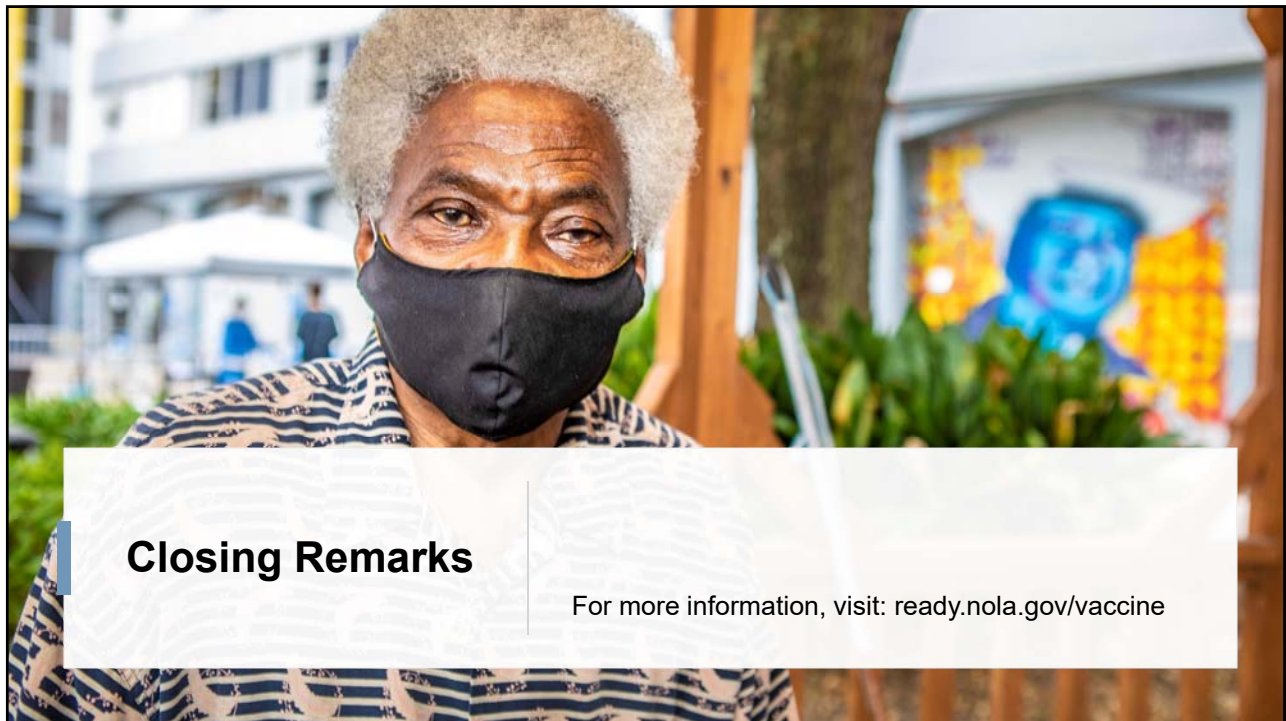
When it's your turn for the shot, be a spokesperson



Get involved in community-based vaccine efforts



Stay in the loop! Text COVIDNOLA to 888777.



### Closing Remarks

For more information, visit: [ready.nola.gov/vaccine](https://ready.nola.gov/vaccine)

## Q&A



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### Next Steps

- This recording and the slides will be emailed to you
- visit our COVID-19 page for resources and our other webinar recordings: <https://www.gnof.org/covid19-nonprofits/>
- Please take our survey and give us your feedback. This will help us continue to bring you all relevant content and help us improve!

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