



COVID-19 vaccine information for agricultural workers in Oregon

- Migrant and seasonal farmworkers, seafood and agricultural workers, and food processing workers can begin receiving COVID-19 vaccines March 29.
- Oregon is getting more vaccines each week, but it will still take some time for all farmworkers to get the vaccine.

Why get the vaccine?

- The vaccine is an important way to keep you and the people you love safe from COVID-19.
- The vaccine will make your body stronger to fight COVID. You cannot get COVID from the vaccine.
- A vaccine is prevention. It protects you from getting sick. You get a vaccine by getting a shot in your arm from a health care provider.

The vaccine is safe and free for everyone

- The three COVID-19 vaccines authorized for use have been tested to make sure they are safe and effective.
- The vaccine is free for everyone in Oregon. You will not be charged for the appointment or the vaccine.
- Everyone in Oregon who is eligible can get the vaccine and it will not affect your immigration status.
- The vaccine does not change your DNA and does not contain any animal materials.
- The Johnson & Johnson vaccine uses a virus that makes us develop immunity to COVID-19. Producing this vaccine virus requires the use of cells grown in laboratories from cells taken from fetal tissue many years ago.

What to expect

- For the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines, you will need to get two shots. You get the second shot 3 or 4 weeks after you get the first one. It is important for you to get both shots for the vaccine to work.
- The Johnson & Johnson vaccine requires only one shot. You will be informed which vaccine you receive and what kind of follow-up, if any, you need to have.

- After you get the shot, you may have a sore spot on your arm where you got the shot. Some people will also feel tired or have a fever for a few days. This doesn't mean you are sick. It means the vaccine is working to keep your body healthy.

When can I get the vaccine?

- If you work on a farm, in a seafood facility, or in a food processing facility, you can begin receiving the vaccine on March 29.

Where can I get the vaccine?

- The closest vaccination sites will be different depending on where you live and work.
- Talk to your employer about whether they are planning to host a vaccination event.
- If your employer is not hosting a vaccination event, you may be able to go to a local public health clinic or an event sponsored by a community organization.
- For more information, go to vacunacovid.oregon.gov or covidvaccine.oregon.gov.

Do I need to show proof of eligibility or identity?

- You do NOT need to bring proof of eligibility. You may be asked whether you work on a farm, in a seafood facility, or in a food processing facility.
- You do NOT need a social security number.
- You do NOT need health insurance.

Will I be required to get a vaccine?

- Employers may require workers to get vaccinated, with some exceptions.
- Talk to your employer about whether they require a vaccine.
- If your employer requires a vaccine but you have a disability that prevents you from getting the vaccine, your employer may need to make accommodations under the Americans with Disability Act.

Resource information:

For more information, go to covidvaccine.oregon.gov (English) or vacunacovid.oregon.gov (Spanish) or call 211 for information in any language.

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