



Take Care New Mexico Provider Certificate

Part 3: Administering COVID-19 Vaccine in Your Practice



When you are preparing to administer the COVID-19 Vaccine, please consider the following topics:

- Vaccine Workflow Considerations
- Informed Consent
- EUA Forms
- Parental Consent for Children
- Co-administration of the Vaccine
- “Wastage” Policy
- Liability
- Who Should/Can Be Vaccinated?
- Other Vaccination Provider Tips



Vaccine Workflow Considerations

Vaccine workflow considerations for your practice.

You may consider the following:

1. *Give COVID-19 vaccine at the beginning of the visit so that the 15 minutes of observation is during the provider visit*
2. *Have separate nurse clinic appointments for vaccine*
3. *Use current vaccine work flow for COVID-19 vaccine*
4. *“Mass Vax” model: Pick a day where you will vaccinate a large # of patients*



INFORMED CONSENT

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Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) fact sheets

Before administering COVID-19 vaccine, organization must provide an approved Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) fact sheet to each vaccine recipient, the adult parent or caregiver accompanying the recipient, or other legal representative.

The EUA Forms for Pfizer, Moderna, and Janssen (J&J) are available in the additional resources section on this page. (These can be printed out or reviewed by patient digitally).



Informed Consent for Children (under 18)

The COVID-19 vaccine will reduce the risk of being suffering from the new type of Coronavirus disease as known as COVID-19.

Please be aware that the vaccine is not completely effective like all other medicines. It can take a few weeks for your body to build up protection from the vaccine. There is always a chance to get infected by Coronavirus even with the vaccine; however, the vaccine lessens the severity of any infection. Two doses will reduce the chance of being seriously ill and reduce the risk of death due to Coronavirus.

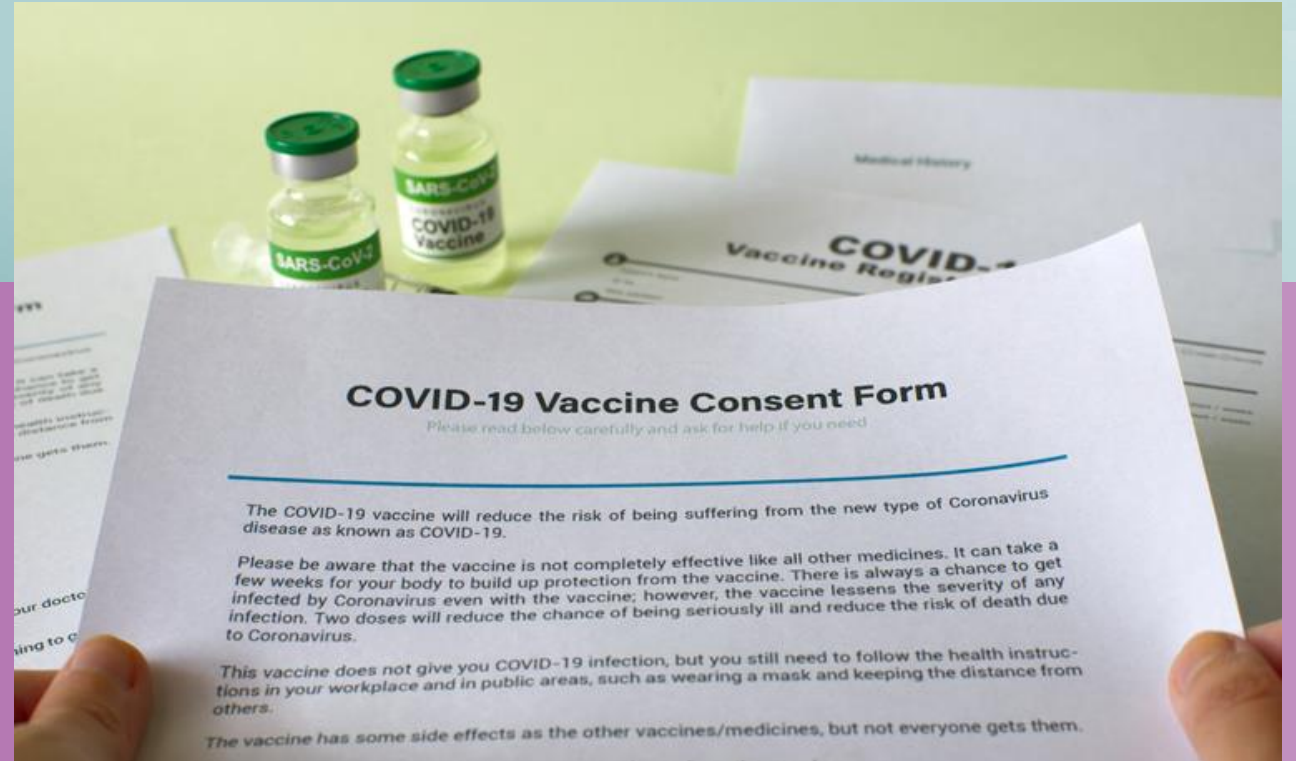
This vaccine does not give you COVID-19 infection, but you still need to follow the health instructions in your workplace and in public areas, such as wearing a mask, avoiding the distance from others.

The vaccine has some side effects as the other vaccines/medicines, but not everyone gets them.

As a NM certified partner, you must follow specific guidelines for billing.

Department of Health allows vaccinations without a parent or legal guardian present with signed consent forms.

- *Practices can utilize their own consent forms for the vaccination of minors or*
- *You can use the Department of Health parental consent form.*



Co-administration with Other Vaccines

COVID-19 vaccines and other vaccines may now be administered without regard to timing.

This includes simultaneous administration of COVID-19 vaccines and other vaccines on the same day, as well as co-administration within 14 days.



“Wastage Policy”

Try not to waste, but always vaccinate an eligible person

While we prefer not to waste any vaccine, the priority is to vaccinate as many people as possible. Leaving unused doses in the vial will happen and this is ok.

Please continue to follow best practices to use every dose possible. We do not want wastage concerns to be at the expense of missing an opportunity to vaccinate every eligible person when they are ready to get vaccinated.



Liability

Vaccines save lives by preventing disease.

Most people who get vaccines have no serious problems. Vaccines, like any medicines, can cause side effects, but most are very rare and very mild.

Your office cannot be sued over a vaccine side effect & all claims go to the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program.



Who Should/Can Be Vaccinated?

Anyone over 12 years old is eligible to be vaccinated.

Our goal is to empower providers to administer the covid-19 vaccine just like other standard vaccines like influenza.



Other Vaccination Provider Tips

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- Reduce amount of paperwork or steps required to make an appointment.
- Schedule the second vaccine appointment during the first appointment if using a two-dose vaccine.
- Provide follow-up reminders via text or email that are close to the appointment date.
- Consider barriers your patients may face. Ask people how they plan on getting to the appointment.





**Any questions please contact the
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