

COVID-19 Vaccination Pregnancy And Breastfeeding

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If you are planning pregnancy

Women who are trying to become pregnant do not need to delay vaccination or avoid becoming pregnant after vaccination.

If you are planning a pregnancy, you can receive a Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. Getting vaccinated before conceiving means you are likely to have protection against COVID-19 throughout your pregnancy. Vaccination does not affect fertility.

There is no evidence that women who become pregnant after vaccination are at increased risk of developing complications affecting their pregnancy or their baby's health. You are not required to have a pregnancy test before getting vaccinated.

If you are pregnant

It is recommended that pregnant women receive the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, at any stage of their pregnancy. If you are pregnant, the risk of severe outcomes from COVID-19 is significantly higher for both you and your unborn baby.

If you are breastfeeding

If you are breastfeeding, you can receive a Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine at any time. You do not need to stop breastfeeding before or after your vaccination.

There is no evidence that women who are breastfeeding have any increased risk of complications from COVID-19 compared to women who are not breastfeeding.

Current knowledge about COVID-19 vaccine in women who are breastfeeding

There have been no detailed studies of COVID-19 vaccines in women who breastfeed. However, there are no concerns about their safety in women who are breastfeeding or their babies. Early evidence demonstrates that antibodies from vaccinated women can pass into breastmilk and may provide some protection to the breastfeeding infant.

If you have any questions

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding or considering becoming pregnant, you are encouraged to discuss the timing of your vaccination with your health care professional.

Source <https://www.health.gov.au/news/joint-statement-between-ranzcog-and-atagi-about-covid-19-vaccination-for-pregnant-women>



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