

### **What's the current status of the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine?**

**Fact:** NYS has resumed use of the Johnson & Johnson/Janssen vaccine at all state-run sites. **The identification of a very rare risk associated with the vaccine is a sign that the safety monitoring system for COVID vaccines is working.** During the 10-day pause, health officials reviewed the data to better understand the risk, leading to the decision to restart. The pause also helped doctors recognize a potential treatment problem and be prepared to treat it.

**Getting the first available COVID vaccine is the best thing you can do to protect your health and your family's health.** All three authorized vaccines are available at vaccination sites in our community and continue to show very strong safety and efficacy. Get the facts at [flvaccinehub.org/things-to-know](http://flvaccinehub.org/things-to-know)

### **How can I get my child (12+) vaccinated to protect against COVID-19?**

**Fact: Parents and legal guardians can verbally consent for the shot** (preferably in person), and that parent or legal guardian should be prepared to show that they live in NYS. Minors who are married, a parent, pregnant or in the military can consent for themselves.

**Bring proof of child's age**, which could include a birth certificate, passport, school ID with a birthdate, driver's license, learner's permit or some other form of identification.

**Minors with a history of fainting or allergic reactions to shots** should have a parent or legal guardian present.

**Twelve to 17-year-olds are only authorized to get the Pfizer/BioNTech shot** and should go to a vaccination site where that is offered. Get the facts at [flvaccinehub.org/things-to-know](http://flvaccinehub.org/things-to-know)

### **Is the vaccine safe if I am pregnant or considering getting pregnant?**

**Fact: When it comes to fertility, pregnancy and breastfeeding, there are no known safety concerns with the vaccine.** Doctors recommend COVID vaccines for pregnant and breast feeding women and their babies, who are at higher risk of hospitalizations and death from COVID. Get the facts at [flvaccinehub.org/things-to-know](http://flvaccinehub.org/things-to-know)

Sources: CDC.gov, [www.flvaccinehub.org](http://www.flvaccinehub.org)