

	WASHINGTON STATE COVID-19 VACCINE STANDING ORDER
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SUBJECT: COVID-19 Vaccine Standing Order

EFFECTIVE DATE: 9/4/2025

AUTHORITY: This standing order is issued under [RCW 43.70.183](#), which authorizes the Secretary of Health or their designee to issue a prescription or standing order for any biological product, device, or drug for purposes of controlling and preventing the spread of, mitigating, or treating any infectious or noninfectious disease or threat to the public health.

PURPOSE: To reduce morbidity and mortality from COVID-19, this statewide COVID-19 vaccine standing order authorizes qualified health care providers to vaccinate persons aged 6 months and older, including pregnant individuals.

AUTHORIZATION: This standing order authorizes health care providers to administer the most updated versions of the COMIRNATY, MNEXSPIKE, SPIKEVAX, and NUVAXOVID COVID-19 vaccines to all persons aged 6 months and older, including pregnant individuals, consistent with applicable law and the terms and conditions below.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

COVID-19 vaccination is authorized under this standing order and recommended for all eligible persons aged 6 months and older. Any available COVID-19 vaccine appropriate by age and health status, as determined by the administering health care provider by exercising reasonable medical judgment and consulting the guidance noted above, that is approved by the United States Food & Drug Administration can be used. The most updated version of the COVID-19 vaccine that is available must be used.

For some individuals, vaccination under this standing order will be “off-label” use of currently licensed COVID-19 vaccines. Health care providers can adhere to guidelines developed by professional associations and use their best medical judgement in vaccinating their patients.

Procedure

Assess the individual for COVID-19 vaccination consistent with reasonable medical judgment and the following guidance that is most suitable for the individual being vaccinated:

- **Pediatrics (ages 6 months–18 years):** American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) COVID-19 vaccine guidance at www.AAP.org/ImmunizationSchedule
- **Pregnant Individuals (all ages as applicable):** American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) COVID-19 vaccine guidance at www.acog.org/clinical/clinical-guidance/practice-advisory/articles/covid-19-vaccination-considerations-for-obstetric-gynecologic-care
- **Adults (ages 19 years and older):** American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) COVID-19 vaccine guidance at www.aafp.org/family-physician/patient-care/prevention-wellness/immunization-schedules/adult0immunization-schedule

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Visit the Department of Health's website to confirm that this standing order is currently in effect and to find relevant resources: doh.wa.gov/public-health-provider-resources/standing-orders

All resources linked in this document can be found on the DOH COVID-19 Vaccine Information webpage.

Screen for Contraindications and Precautions

Screen the individual for the contraindications and precautions for COVID-19 vaccination found in Table 3 in the CDC's *Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines in the United States* (https://www.cdc.gov/covid/media/pdfs/2025/07/iCC_document_7.18.25.pdf) and proceed with vaccination according to the recommended actions in the table and reasonable medical judgment.

Administer the Vaccine

Administer the vaccine according to the package insert and best practices.

Document Vaccination

Document each patient's vaccine administration information in the patient's medical record and the Washington State Immunization Information System.

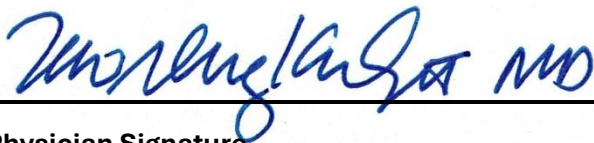
Be Prepared to Manage Medical Emergencies

Be prepared for management of a medical emergency related to the administration of vaccine by having a written emergency medical protocol available, as well as equipment and medications. Maintain and follow policies in accordance with *General Best Practices for Immunization* (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/imz-best-practices/preventing-managing-adverse-reactions.html>) and see *Considerations for people with a history of allergies or allergic reactions* (https://www.cdc.gov/covid/hcp/vaccine-considerations/contraindications-precautions.html#cdc_vaccine_special_topics_research-considerations-for-people-with-a-history-of-allergies-or-allergic-reactions) for more information.

Report All Adverse Events to VAERS

Report all adverse events following the administration of COVID-19 vaccines to the federal Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) (<https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html>).

EXPIRATION, RENEWAL AND REVIEW: This standing order will expire on the date that the physician who signed the order revokes it or ceases to act as the Secretary of Health's designee, whichever comes sooner. This standing order shall be reviewed annually against current best practices and may be revised or updated if new information about COVID-19 vaccines necessitates it.



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