



# SINGAPORE'S **COVID-19** VACCINATION PROGRAMME

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



## Why is vaccination important?

Vaccination can help:

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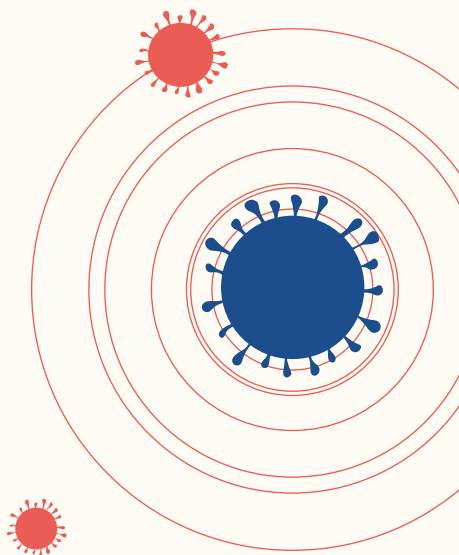
protect our loved ones and the community from COVID-19

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enable us to resume more activities, and Singapore to re-open safely, sooner

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prevent our healthcare system from being overwhelmed



## What is COVID-19?

COVID-19 is an infectious disease that can be spread by droplets of saliva or mucus from coughing, sneezing - in the air or on surfaces.

Symptoms include fever, cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, runny nose or loss of smell or taste.

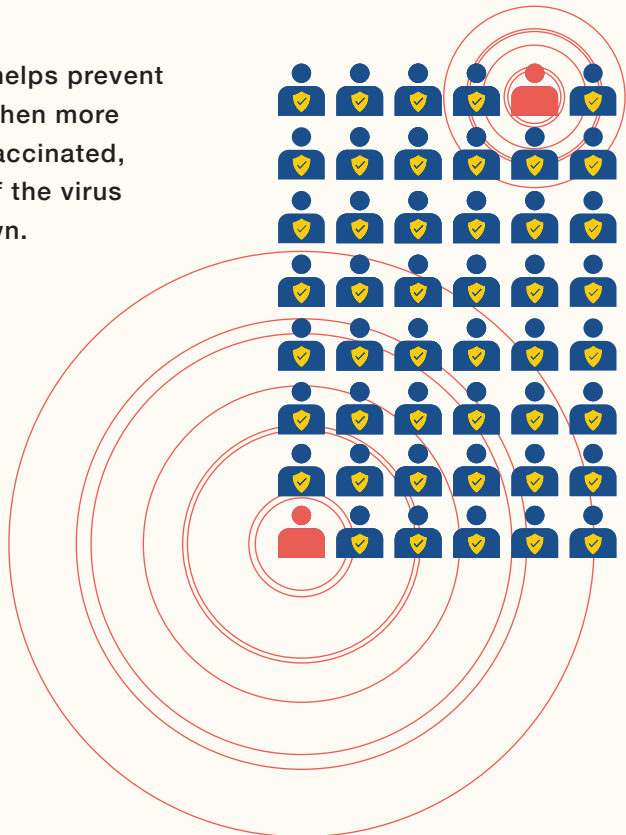
Seniors or people with underlying health problems may develop serious illness when infected with COVID-19.

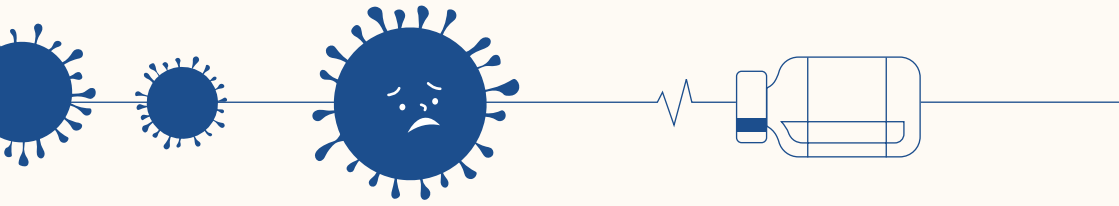


“ When you get yourself vaccinated, you are not just protecting yourself. You are also doing your part to protect others, especially your loved ones. The more of us are vaccinated, the harder it will be for the virus to spread, and the safer we will all be as a society. ”

- Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong

Vaccination helps prevent COVID-19. When more people are vaccinated, the spread of the virus will slow down.

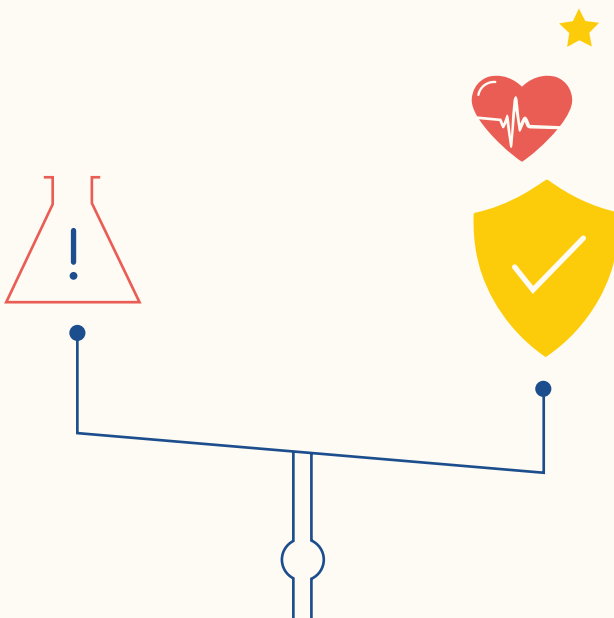




## Is the vaccine safe?

COVID-19 vaccines approved for pandemic use in Singapore meet safety and efficacy standards, with benefits outweighing known risks.

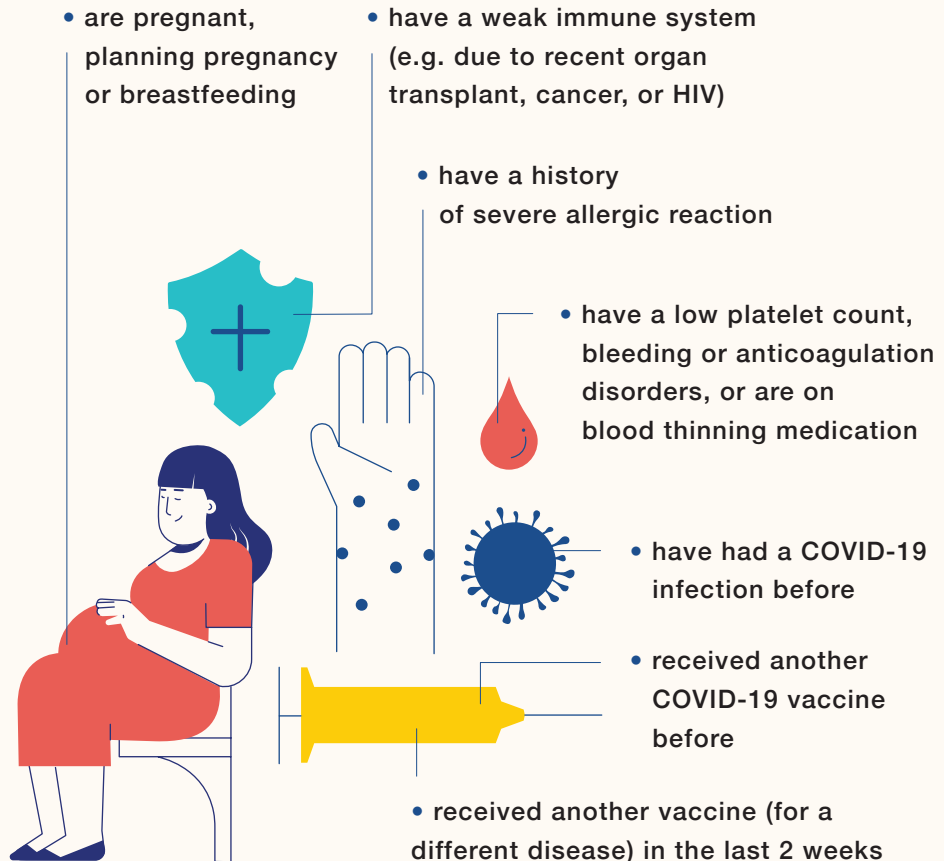
Approval was given only after both the Health Sciences Authority (HSA) and the Expert Committee on COVID-19 Vaccination had thoroughly reviewed clinical data for the vaccines.



## Who can be vaccinated?

Vaccination is free for Singaporeans and long-term residents.

A healthcare professional will be able to advise if you should get vaccinated. Tell your doctor or nurse about your medical conditions before getting the vaccine, especially if you –



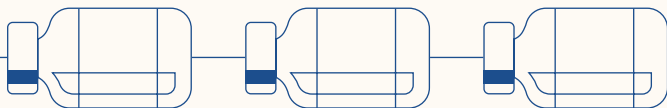
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## How to get vaccinated

Everyone will be invited to be vaccinated progressively. When it is your turn, you will receive a notification to schedule an appointment. You will also be provided a step-by-step guide on how you can make an appointment. Vaccination is by appointment only.

As vaccines will come in batches, healthcare workers and vulnerable groups (seniors, those in high-risk industries) will be given priority for vaccination.

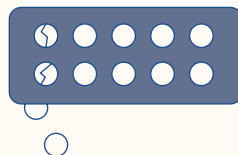




## What should I do if I suffer from any side effects?

You may experience pain, redness and swelling at the injection site. You may also experience some common side effects after receiving the COVID-19 vaccine. This is similar to other vaccines. Most side effects are mild and you will get better within a few days.

Some common side effects include fever, headache and muscle ache. If you are affected, you may take 1 -2 paracetamol tablets every 6 hours as needed. If your symptoms persist, please see a doctor.



After vaccination, you should remain at the clinic for 30 minutes for observation.

In very rare cases, this vaccine can cause a severe allergic reaction. Symptoms can include difficulty breathing, swelling of your face, throat, eyes or lips, fast heartbeat, dizziness and weakness, or a bad rash. If you experience a severe allergic reaction, seek medical attention immediately. Call 995 or go to the nearest A&E.

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to cross the finish line together,  
and complete our mission to defeat COVID-19.”*

– Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong

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