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Public Health Alert: Janssen Vaccine Fact Sheet



Introduction: The Tribe has been given the Johnson and Johnson Janssen COVID-19 vaccine to administer at no cost.

- The CDC recommends the Janssen vaccine be given to adults 18 years and older.
- The CDC also recommends a **booster shot** for those who are 18 years and older and who were vaccinated two or more months ago after their initial Janssen Vaccine.

Mechanism of Action: The vaccine produces a protein that prepares your immune system to fight the virus if you become infected. It is a viral vector vaccine, meaning a harmless adenovirus is used. This adenovirus has been modified to include a gene that tells your cells to make the COVID-19 spike protein. Your immune system then makes antibodies to this protein, which will help your body fight the COVID-19 virus.

Primary Vaccination: A single shot is given in the muscle of the upper arm.

Booster Doses: A single Janssen vaccine booster dose may be administered at least 2 months after primary vaccination with the Janssen COVID-19 vaccine, to individuals 18 years of age and older or to eligible individuals who have completed primary vaccination with a different authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine.

Side Effects: In a small number of cases, people have reported some side effects. Side effects mean that your body is building protection. The side effects feel like the flu and might even affect your ability to do daily activities, but they should go away in 1 to 2 days. Pain at the injection site, fatigue, chills, headache, fever, nausea, and muscle pain were the most commonly reported symptoms.

Effectiveness: The Janssen vaccine efficacy has been found to be 85% effective in preventing hospitalization and death and 72% effective against moderate COVID-19 disease

Janssen and the Pandemic: Until most people are vaccinated you still need to continue to use a mask, stay at least 6 feet away from others, avoid crowds, and wash your hands often.

Vaccine Administration Location: The PYT Nursing Dept. will be administering the vaccine at The Pascua Yaqui Health & Social Services Family Center (New Building), 4567 W. Tetakusim Rd, Tucson, AZ 85746.

For any questions, you may contact community health nursing at 520-879-6119 or Dr. Renteria may be available at: Adalberto.Renteria@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov

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