Vaccinating during COVID-19

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) Immunization Division wants to ensure all providers are staying safe and keeping patients healthy, while continuing to vaccinate patients.

Below are five (5) key standard precautionary measures providers can take to safely vaccine patients. These range from wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) to hand hygiene.

Take the necessary actions to protect you and your community!

**Wear a medical facemask!**

* N-95 is not required for intranasal or oral vaccines. But should be used if you suspect a patient has/been exposed to COVID-19.¹

**Use secure eye protection!**

* Goggles or a disposable face shield may be used.¹

**Change gloves between patients!**

* Wearing gloves is not a substitute for hand hygiene!
* Gloves should be utilized¹ when giving the following vaccinations:
  - Intranasal
  - Oral

**Practice hand hygiene!**

* Wash your hands before and after patient contact.¹

**Throw PPE waste in a trash can!**

* Do not leave used or soiled PPE on surfaces. Directly dispose used and soiled PPE in the trash.²

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Additional Resources:
