

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 vaccinate patients. These range from wearing personal protective equipment (PPE) to hand hygiene.

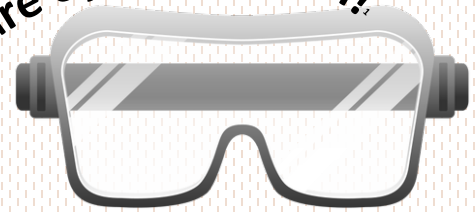
Take the necessary actions to protect you and your community!

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

1. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC]. (2020, June 9). *Vaccination guidance during a pandemic: Interim guidance for immunization services during COVID-19*. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pandemic-guidance/index.html>
2. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC]. (2020, May 3). *General business frequently asked questions*. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/general-business-faq.html#:~:text=Discard%20PPE%20into%20a%20trash,needs%20any%20additional%20disinfection.>

Additional Resources:

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC]. (2020, April 2). *When and how to wash your hands*. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/handwashing/when-how-handwashing.html>
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC]. (2020, June 5). *Healthcare infection prevention and control FAQs for COVID-19*. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/infection-control-faq.html#asymptomatic>

