

UT Health Rio Grande Valley™

FDA AUTHORIZED & RECOMMENDED COVID-19 VACCINES

Getting vaccinated is one of many steps you can take to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. Currently, UT Health RGV is administering two types of COVID-19 vaccines that are authorized and recommended by the FDA. Below is a description of how each vaccine helps our bodies to recognize and protect us from the virus that causes COVID-19. None of these vaccines can give you COVID-19.



Pfizer-BioNTech

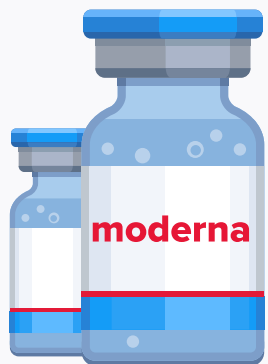
Type of Vaccine: Messenger RNA

Recommended for: People 16 and older.

Dosage: Two shots, 21 days apart

Common Side Effects: Fatigue, headache, chills, muscle pain, especially after the second dose.

How well it works: 95% effective in preventing COVID-19 in those without prior infection.



Moderna

Type of Vaccine: Messenger RNA

Recommended for: People 18 and older.

Dosage: Two shots, one month (28 days) apart

Common Side Effects: Fever, muscle aches, headaches lasting a few days, especially after the second dose.

How well it works: 94.1% effective at preventing symptomatic infection in people with no evidence of previous COVID-19 infection.

For more information about the COVID vaccine, please visit UTHealthRGV.org/CovidVaccine