

COVID Vaccination Talking Points

- Northwest Kidney Centers will be offering the updated 2024-2025 COVID vaccine this year to patients in our clinics.
- The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recommends that everyone ages 6 months and older get an updated 2024–2025 COVID-19 vaccine.
- The COVID-19 vaccine helps protect against severe disease, hospitalization, and death.
- Vaccine protection decreases over time, so it is important to stay up to date with your COVID-19 vaccine.

What type of COVID Vaccine will be offered at NKC?

- Moderna Spikevax

Is Moderna Spikevax better than Pfizer?

- Per the CDC, there is no preference for one vaccine over the other.

Can I get more than one updated COVID vaccine?

- People who are moderately or severely immunocompromised may get additional doses of updated COVID-19 vaccine 2 or more months after getting the last updated COVID-19 vaccine. Talk to your healthcare provider.

If I already had COVID and recovered, should I get a COVID vaccine?

- Yes. You should get a COVID-19 vaccine even if you had COVID-19 infection. Getting a COVID-19 vaccine after you recover provides added protection. You may consider delaying your vaccine by 3 months. However, certain factors could be reasons to get a vaccine sooner rather than later, such as:
 - Personal risk of severe disease
 - Risk of disease in a loved one or close contact
 - COVID-19 is causing a lot of illness in your community
 - People who already had COVID-19 and do not get vaccinated after their recovery are more likely to get COVID-19 again.

Do I need to wait after getting the flu vaccine or other vaccine before getting the COVID vaccine?

- You can get a COVID-19 vaccine and other vaccines, including a flu vaccine, at the same visit