

# Vaccines for Teens

AGE 12+

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Pfizer-BioNTech is currently the only COVID-19 vaccine authorized for those 12 years of age and older. Moderna and Johnson & Johnson are authorized for people 18 and older at this time. **Please verify what vaccine brand is available** at a location prior to making an appointment.

If you are 12– 17, **you need consent from a parent or guardian** to get the vaccine, unless you are legally emancipated. Providers may have different requirements for documenting consent, so please call ahead to find out what is needed.

For the mass vaccination sites operated by the Snohomish County Vaccine Taskforce, **people who are 12 and older** may be vaccinated with parent or guardian consent for the Pfizer vaccine. **An adult parent or guardian must accompany anyone under 18** to the vaccination appointment to sign the consent form on site. They should also bring identification showing proof of age for the minor, such as a driver's license or birth certificate. The registration process is the same as for any other eligible patient – they can sign up via the registration links at <http://bit.ly/snocovaccine> or call the call center at **425-339-5278**.

**If someone under 18 years old signs up for an appointment** at a mass vaccination site that is not administering Pfizer, expect to have that appointment canceled because the other vaccines are not yet authorized for their age group.

**Trials are underway on vaccines for younger children.** However, we are still many months from having vaccine available for all ages.

## Keep up all of the other good efforts –

masking, distancing, avoiding large gatherings, washing hands, and cleaning and sanitizing. Lead by example to help all ages stay healthy.

