



## THE ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN INDIAN PHYSICIANS

AAIP supports COVID-19 vaccinations for American Indian and Alaska Native children

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## WHO IS AAIP?

The Association of American Indian Physicians (AAIP) works to pursue excellence in Native American health care by promoting education in the medical disciplines, honoring traditional healing principles and restoring the balance of mind, body and spirit.

AAIP's membership is made up of American Indian and Alaska Native physicians who are licensed to practice medicine in the United States. AAIP also offers an affiliate level membership for individuals who are not American Indian or Alaska Native physicians.



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The Morehouse School of Medicine National COVID-19 Resiliency Network (NCRN) coordinates a strategic and structured national network of national, state/territorial/tribal and local public and community-based organizations that will mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on racial and ethnic minority, and rural populations.



## WHERE CAN I GET VACCINATED?

**To find a COVID-19 vaccine location near you:**

Search [vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov)

- Text your ZIP code to 43882
- Or call 1-800-232-0233

**Other ways to find vaccine providers:**

- Ask your doctor, pharmacist or community health center
- Check the tribal clinic in your area
- Contact your state health department
- Check your local pharmacy's website

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## IS YOUR CHILD VACCINATED AGAINST COVID-19?

Vaccines are safe, effective and available to American Indians and Alaska Native children ages 6 months and older.

Vaccinating our youngest tribe members helps ensure tribal cultures survive and thrive for future generations.

Currently, health disparities exist regarding COVID-19. American Indians and Alaska Natives are:

1.6

more likely to contract COVID-19 than white persons\*

2.7

more likely to be hospitalized with COVID-19 than white persons\*

2.1

more likely to die from COVID-19 than white persons\*

\*CDC, Sept. 15, 2022

**Let's change these statistics and preserve native culture by getting vaccinated today.**

## PROTECT OUR NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS

Help protect our culture.

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*Vaccines are one of the best and safest ways to protect the health and wellbeing of ourselves, our families and community. Together, vaccines allow all of us to thrive, excel and flourish!*

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**- Dr. Lukejohn Day  
President, AAIP  
Oglala Lokota**

Increasing vaccinations helps ensure knowledge-keepers are preserved and traditions last for generations.

Vaccination for children and adults is critical to both individual and community health.

Unvaccinated people are **10x** more likely to be hospitalized and **11x** more likely to die from COVID-19.\* Even with **64.6%** of American Indian and Alaska Natives fully vaccinated, our cultures are uniquely threatened by COVID-19.\*\*

\*CDC, September 2021

\*\*CDC, December 2022



## FAQ'S: COVID-19 VACCINE FOR CHILDREN

### Is my child eligible for a booster shot?

Your child is likely eligible for a booster shot if:

- They are age 6 months or older
- It has been 6 months since their last Moderna or Pfizer dose

### Why should my child get vaccinated?

Getting the vaccine can protect your child from getting the virus and protect your child from serious symptoms and hospitalization. Though most cases aren't severe, children make up 18% of all COVID-19 cases.\* Post-COVID symptoms can also last several weeks for some children.

\*American Academy of Pediatrics, December 2022

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