

COVID-19 Vaccine Outreach

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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

ONLINE TRAININGS:

Date: October 13, 2022

Rethinking Conflict: Conflict Management for Public Health Professionals Learn more and register here.

Date: October 13, 2022

How to Build a Grassroots Coalition to Effectively Address Farmworkers Needs

Learn more and register here.

Date: October 20, 2022

Practical Evaluation Skills for Public Health Practitioners

<u>Learn more and register here.</u>

Date: October 26, 2022

Understanding Long COVID and the Future of Vaccinations

Learn more and register here.

Long COVID: What We Know So Far

According to the *National Institutes of Health (NIH)*, "long COVID, long-haul COVID, post-COVID-19 condition, and chronic COVID are all names for the health problems that some people experience within a few months of a COVID-19 diagnosis." These include a spectrum of physical, social, and psychological consequences and functional limitations that can present substantial challenges to wellness and quality of life.

"Long COVID has potentially affected up to 23 million Americans, pushing an estimated 1 million people out of

work." - <u>US Government Accountability Office (GAO), March 2022</u>

Many people recover within a few days or weeks after being infected with COVID-19. However, others experience "post-COVID conditions" that linger for weeks, months or even years after their initial diagnosis. In addition, people with no symptoms can also experience long COVID, which can present as "different types and combinations of health problems and can range in lengths of time," according to the *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)*.

Click here to learn more about post-COVID conditions & symptoms

Do COVID vaccines prevent long COVID?

Being fully vaccinated & boosted lowers the risks of COVID infection and effectively reduces the risk of hospitalization and death due to COVID-19.

Research is ongoing about how long COVID affects people, but being vaccinated likely reduces the risk.

Visit <u>Vaccines.gov</u> to find out where to get the nearest vaccine and booster.



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Webinars:

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Strategies for Combatting Health Misinformation
Learn more and register here.

Evaluating and Supporting Patients Presenting with Cardiovascular Symptoms Following COVID Learn more here.



Resources

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Clinical Resources

- <u>CDC resources</u> can assist you in communicating about vaccinations this month and beyond.
- CDC's COVID-19 Vaccination for Children website
- ProviderBridge.org provides up-to-date information on emergency regulation and licensing by state as well as a provider portal to connect volunteer health care professionals to state agencies and health care entities.
- Rural Health Clinic Vaccine Distribution (RHCVD) Program.
 Under the program, Medicare-certified RHCs will receive direct
 COVID-19 vaccines in addition to their normal jurisdictions' weekly allocation.
- One Stop Online for COVID Prevention and Treatment in Every
 County. Visitors to the site can enter their county and map nearby
 locations for masks, respirators, vaccines, boosters, and all testing
 and treatment options.

Promotion/Patient education materials

- Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida <u>COVID-19 Resource</u> website
- Health Council of Southeast Florida <u>Stay Healthy Sunshine</u> <u>Campaign</u> website
- HHS' We Can Do This website
- <u>National Resource Center</u> for Refugees, Immigrants and Migrants creates COVID-19 communications materials in 40+ languages.
- CDC's FAQs about COVID-19 Vaccination for Children and Teens
- COVID-19 Vaccines Available for Children Under 5

Monkeypox: Learn More

- <u>CDC Monkeypox website</u> Includes prevention, signs and symptoms, and treatment.
- Learn about the history of monkeypox, epidemiology of the current outbreak, and what we still need to learn (Webinar)