

COVID-19 Vaccine Guidance for Healthcare Workers



Addressing questions

Q: What if a patient is moving before getting a second dose?

A: Clinicians can enroll patients in Health Network, a virtual case management program. The patient will be contacted by Migrant Clinicians Network (MCN) staff to assist the patient in finding care at their destination.

Q: What if patients are concerned about vaccinating their children?

A: Listen to the patient and ask questions to ensure you hear their concerns. Parents may need to be present and give consent for a child's vaccination. Weekend or after-hours vaccination may be available at health departments or health centers, or through mobile vaccination clinics.

Q: What if patients have concerns about the J&J vaccine?

A: Explain it is normal to have concerns about the pause & resumed use, and that the adverse effects from the J&J vaccine are very rare. If a female patient age 18-60 prefers the J&J vaccine, educate them on the signs & symptoms.

Q: What if a patient lost their vaccination card?

Outreach and social workers may be able to help contact the location where the patient received the first vaccine dose. The patient may also be registered in the state where they received the first dose.

General guidance

Keep in mind the increased prevalence of unaddressed health concerns such as asthma and diabetes among migrant populations. Patient education resources include "Mi salud es mi tesoro" from MCN.

**Find a vaccination site: Call 855-MD-GoVAX
(855-634-6829) or go to marylandvax.org**

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Sources: Migrant Clinicians Network, 2021, "FAQ: The COVID-19 Vaccine and Migrant, Immigrant, and Food & Farm Worker Patients", <https://www.migrantclinician.org/es/blog/2021/jan/faq-covid-19-vaccine-and-migrant-immigrant-and-food-farm-worker-patients.html> & "Mi salud es mi tesoro" <https://www.migrantclinician.org/toolsource/resource/comic-mi-salud-es-me-tesoro-una-guia-para-vivir-bien-con-diabetes.html>