

# VAX IN A MINUTE

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## Be ready for the new year!

This new year, help prevent hospitals from being overwhelmed by choosing to get vaccinated.

Flu activity is currently very high in Washington state, and COVID-19 is still circulating. A new study shows that the bivalent booster provided additional protection against COVID-19–associated emergency department/urgent care encounters and hospitalizations\*. Protect yourself and preserve our medical system by getting vaccinated.

You can get your COVID-19 and flu shots at the same time.

## Vaccination helps reduce more severe symptoms including hospitalization and death.

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\*Tenforde MW, Weber ZA, Natarajan K, et al. Early Estimates of Bivalent mRNA Vaccine Effectiveness in Preventing COVID-19–Associated Emergency Department or Urgent Care Encounters and Hospitalizations Among Immunocompetent Adults — VISION Network, Nine States, September–November 2022. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. ePub: 16 December 2022. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm715152e1>