

COVID-19 VACCINATION

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS FOR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY MEMBERS



- The vaccine is available at no cost to everyone in the U.S., regardless of citizenship status (even if you are undocumented). An insurance card may be requested but is not required to receive a vaccine.



- A social security number is not required to get a vaccine. If a provider asks you for a social security number and you don't have one or don't feel comfortable sharing it, you can respond that you don't have one or don't feel comfortable sharing it.



- You may be asked for identification to obtain your vaccine. If you do not have a state id/driver's license, you may be asked to provide a letter, statement, or utility bill with your current address or a letter from a church, organization, or provider that knows you attesting that you live or work in Washington state.



- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services have stressed that personal data will only be used for public health purposes. Personal data may not be used for a civil or criminal prosecution, including immigration enforcement.



- In no way does getting the vaccine count as a public charge. Utilizing the vaccine will not hinder any opportunity to obtain residency and/or citizenship status.



- Nobody should ask about your immigration status for getting a vaccine but if you are asked about your immigration status at any time, you have the right to remain silent.



Anyone can get the vaccine regardless of their immigration status.
You are not required to provide proof of your immigration status to get the vaccine.

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