



Sioux Lookout
First Nations
Health Authority

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19

INFORMATION SHEET

Moderna – Spikevax® mRNA COVID-19 Vaccine

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- This vaccine is very effective at preventing severe symptoms, hospitalization, and death from a COVID-19 infection. The vaccine is now approved for people aged 6 months and older.
- This vaccine is safe at any stage of pregnancy or breastfeeding. It lowers medical and pregnancy complications from a COVID-19 infection. *It is strongly recommended for this group.*
- The dosing schedule starts with two doses given at least one month apart.
- Booster doses help to increase the level of protection over time.
 - A third dose can be given to anyone 12+ years of age after 84 days from their second dose.
 - It is recommended all adults aged 18 to 59 who had a third shot at least five months ago (or three months since a COVID-19 infection) receive a fourth dose.
- Common side effects include pain, tenderness, and redness at the site where you got your needle.
- Less common side effects include tiredness, headache, body pain, chills, nausea, vomiting, and a low fever.
- Allergic reactions and severe side effects such as myocarditis and pericarditis are very rare. Talk with your community health team if you have a history of allergies or other health conditions.
- You cannot get COVID-19 from this vaccine. There is no live virus in it.

If you have questions, write to us at: ACWinfo@slfnha.com. You can find a full FAQ version of this document, *Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ*, on our website at: www.slfnha.com/covid/

We are still learning about COVID-19 vaccines. This info is accurate as of July 15, 2022.