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## **COVID-19 Vaccine Now Authorized for Children 6 Months to 4 Years Old**

**FREDERICK, MD** – The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) [has authorized](#) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) [now recommends](#) that everyone ages 6 months and older get vaccinated against COVID-19.

Parents are encouraged to check with their pediatricians on scheduling an appointment at their child's medical home.

Health Department vaccination clinics specifically for children 6mo-5yrs old will be held at 585 Himes Ave. in Frederick, MD. Appointments **are required** for this age group.

- Friday, June 24, 2022 at 4-7pm. [Schedule Pfizer](#) or [Schedule Moderna](#).
- Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 4-7pm. [Schedule Pfizer](#) or [Schedule Moderna](#).
- More clinics will be added weekly on [FrederickCountyMD.gov/CovidVaccine](https://FrederickCountyMD.gov/CovidVaccine).

Vaccines are free and insurance is not required. **All children will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian to receive their COVID-19 vaccination.** Please do not come more than 15 minutes before your appointment to help us avoid long lines. Other nearby vaccine clinic options are listed at [marylandvax.org](https://marylandvax.org) or [vaccines.gov](https://vaccines.gov).

Children get a smaller dose of COVID-19 vaccine than teens and adults that is the right amount for their age group. Moderna requires 2 doses spaced 1 month apart. Pfizer requires 3 doses with the second dose 3 weeks after the first, and the third dose at least 8 weeks after the second dose.

For help scheduling an appointment, call 855-MDGoVax or 855-634-6829 between 8am and 8pm, seven days a week. For more information about COVID-19 vaccinations for children, parents can visit [COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens](#) for more information.

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