

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) (Last updated 12/14/2020)

The FAQs is an internal document created by CADES to provide answers to questions posed by our stakeholders (staff, families and individuals). The goal of this document is to connect the CADES community to credible and reliable resources to help in making an informed decision about vaccination as well as provide answers related to CADES operational stance on COVID-19 vaccination.

Q: What reliable resources are available to become informed?

A: Recommended resources include (hover over any underlined link to go to that website page)

- Your Primary Care Physician
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
 - [Vaccine Planning](#),
 - [COVID-19 Vaccine Facts](#),
 - [FAQs about COVID-19 Vaccination](#),
 - [Understanding the mRNA COVID-19 Vaccines](#).
- [FDA Briefing Document on the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine](#)
- [US Food and Drug Administration](#)
- [The History of Vaccines](#)

Q: Is getting the vaccine mandatory? Is there a religious exception?

A: CADES cannot mandate vaccination due to the emergency authorization status. We encourage all stakeholders to make an informed decision based on scientific data. We are committed to providing information which has been empirically validated so each stakeholder can be informed accordingly.

Q: Who at CADES can get the vaccine?

A: As of Monday, December 14th, our Community Living Arrangement residents and all CADES employees are eligible for the vaccine clinic. As the leader of CADES, Julie will become vaccinated.

We do not have the exact details yet but are likely to be able to provide the opportunity to vaccinate CADES individuals who live at home including, those in the Adult Program and GCMS students over 16. The first vaccine trials did not include children and therefore the FDA has not endorsed the vaccination of people under 16 years of age.

Q: Why do I need proof of insurance if this is a government-sponsored vaccine?

A: Vaccine doses purchased with U.S. taxpayer dollars will be given to Americans people at no cost. However, vaccination providers (CVS and Walgreens) will be able to charge a fee for giving the shot to someone to cover their costs for staffing and logistics. Vaccine providers can get this fee reimbursed by an individual's public or private insurance company or, for uninsured patients, by the Health Resources and Services Administration's Provider Relief Fund.