

Vaccine Information Session FAQ

- Any info on this particular vaccine like how the Australian vaccine had false HIV positives? The Australian Vaccine apparently used two protein fragments found in the HIV Virus which produced antibodies that caused the HIV antibody test to react as positive. It would be important to note that the use of protein fragments would not cause infection with HIV. Australia has since abandoned this vaccine candidate.
- Will the vaccine be covered by insurance, like the screening? The Vaccine itself is paid for through Federal Funding. The cost for administering the vaccine will be billed through the facility insurance and should not be a concern in getting the Vaccine.
- I'm a little curious about mRNA. I understand that it is a synthetic made in the lab and feel pretty confident that it is safe but just wondering how it is made or what ingredients are used in a synthetic to make up these vaccines? Broadly speaking the particular mRNA sequence involved would be produced in the lab; using a process which would be protected by patent.
- The vaccine ingredients as listed in the EUA Fact sheet are as follows: mRNA, lipids ((4-hydroxybutyl)azanediyl)bis(hexane-6,1-diyl)bis(2-hexyldecanoate), 2 [(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N,N-ditetradecylacetamide, 1,2-Distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine, and cholesterol), potassium chloride, monobasic potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, dibasic sodium phosphate dihydrate, and sucrose.
- Dependent upon your level of curiosity, there are several articles published that describe the science involved. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/30972078> is a link to the NIH website and an article; a second article would be "mRNA as a Transformative Technology for Vaccine Development to Control Infectious Diseases". These are fairly technical articles but do describe the process for the use and development of mRNA vaccines; they are available as PDF downloads at no cost.
- My wife was at Fox Subacute for a while, but she is home now. Is she eligible for the vaccination from Fox Subacute? We are only vaccinating Fox Subacute staff and current patients. Please reach out to your Primary Physician and let them know you are interested in the Vaccination.
- If a patient has had a reaction to other vaccines like flu vaccine is it safe to use to other? It would depend on the type of reaction experienced, the recommendations contained in the EUA are to not get the vaccine if you have a severe allergy to any ingredient in the vaccine (the question about mRNA above contains a list of ingredients). Anaphylactic reactions to prior vaccines would be worth mentioning to the clinic immunizer, who would then make a determination to proceed or not.

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- My question is, if someone tested positive, will the person be tested again before starting the regular shift? **The answer is no.**
why did someone wait 3 months to be tested again? **It is recommended by the CDC that anyone that tests positive for COVID 19 is excluded from testing for 90 days.**
- If you are high risk should you receive your vaccine at a hospital and be monitored for 30mins? **Not certain how you are defining “high risk” but if you have a history of anaphylaxis to drugs or medications, I would certainly speak with the clinic immunizer and make a determination as to whether you should be vaccinated. In general, the vaccines have been shown to be safe and effective over a wide range of people, including those with multiple conditions. The immunizers and nurses at Fox are equipped and trained to handle vaccine related emergencies.**