



## COVID-19 Vaccine Second Dose and Allergic Reaction – Updated Clinical Guidance from the CDC

Dear COVID-19 Vaccine Provider:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued [an updated guidance on allergic reactions associated with COVID-19 vaccines](#).

- **If you have a severe allergic reaction to a COVID-19 Vaccine:**
  - “If you have had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient in an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine, **you should not get either of the currently available mRNA COVID-19 vaccines**. If you had a severe allergic reaction **after getting the first dose** of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine, **CDC recommends that you should not get the second dose**”.
- **If you have a non-severe allergic reaction to a COVID-19 Vaccine:**
  - “If you have had an immediate allergic reaction—even if it was not **severe**—to any ingredient in an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine, CDC recommends that you should not get either of the currently available mRNA COVID-19 vaccines. **If you had an immediate allergic reaction after getting the first dose** of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine, **you should not get the second dose**. Your doctor may refer you to a specialist in allergies and immunology to provide more care or advice”.

We wanted to make sure you aware of this important update. Please visit [the CDC Clinical Considerations webpage](#) for all the latest updates.

Please continue to report all adverse events to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS): <https://vaers.hhs.gov/index.html>.

Thank you for your partnership. Wishing you continued success on the vaccination efforts!

Sincerely,

Texas Department of State Health Services