



# COVID-19 Vaccines: Myth Versus Fact (Part 2)

**MYTH: *If I already had COVID-19 and recovered, I do not need the vaccine.***

**FACT:** Due to the possibility of reinfection and the severe health risks associated with COVID-19, even if you previously had it, you should still receive the vaccine when offered. The immunity gained from the vaccine exceeds the immunity gained from mild and asymptomatic illnesses with COVID-19.

**MYTH: *COVID-19 vaccines cause infertility.***

**FACT:** There is currently no evidence to suggest that the antibodies formed from the COVID-19 vaccine cause any problems with fertility.

**MYTH: *Once I am vaccinated, I do not need to wear a mask or socially distance from others anymore.***

**FACT:** Until more is known about how the COVID-19 vaccine works in real-world situations, you will still need to wear a mask and maintain social distancing.

**MYTH: *The COVID-19 vaccine will have dangerous side-effects.***

**FACT:** While the COVID-19 vaccine can have some side effects such as pain where the vaccine was injected, body aches, or headache, these are temporary signs that the vaccine is working to stimulate your immune system.

**MYTH: *The COVID-19 vaccine contains controversial substances.***

**FACT:** The first two COVID-19 vaccines authorized for use in the U.S. contain normal vaccine ingredients such as fats, salts, and sugars. There are no microchips, tracking devices, fetal tissues, or preservatives used in the vaccine.

**MYTH: *COVID-19 vaccines will not work against mutations of COVID-19.***

**FACT:** Research is ongoing about vaccines and their effectiveness against different strains of COVID-19. So far, research does show that both the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines still work against the current COVID-19 mutations. Should the virus change, mRNA vaccines can quickly be reformulated to match the changes.