

An Important Update from the Infection Prevention Team

When You Find Your Spot, Get Your Shot!



We encourage all BAYADA staff to **take advantage of any opportunity to safely get vaccinated** from any state Department of Health, hospital, or pharmacy (CVS, Rite Aid, or Walgreens) before vaccinations are available through our Aetna/CVS partnership.

The vaccine is safe, effective, and a new component of BAYADA's comprehensive safety strategy to ensure you and our clients are best protected from COVID-19. Here are some key facts about COVID-19 vaccination.

- Once vaccinated, **employees will continue to need to social distance, wear masks, handwash in the community, and wear personal protective equipment (PPE) when providing clinical care to BAYADA clients** until the CDC relaxes those requirements, which occurs when a significant number of citizens have been vaccinated.
- The vaccines are **not live and cannot cause** a COVID-19 infection.
- **Two doses** of vaccine are required for protection, delivered via intramuscular injection. The Pfizer vaccines are provided three weeks apart, and the Moderna vaccines are administered four weeks apart. The administration of second dose has a four-day grace period in which it is considered valid.
- The Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are **not interchangeable** with one another, or with other COVID-19 vaccines. Both doses should be from the same manufacturer.
- The COVID-19 vaccine should **not be administered with other vaccines** (eg, influenza). Individuals should not receive other vaccines within 14 days prior to and after receiving the COVID-19 vaccine.

Visit bayada.com/covid19.asp to learn more.

