



HAVE YOU HAD A REACTION FOLLOWING A VACCINATION?

Any vaccine can cause side effects. For the most part these are minor (for example, a sore arm, muscle pain, headache, or low-grade fever) and go away within a few days.

Adverse reactions are unintended pharmacologic effects that occur when a medication is administered correctly while a side effect is a secondary unwanted effect that occurs due to drug therapy. It is a common misconception that adverse events and side effects are the same thing.

WHEN TO CALL THE DOCTOR

In most cases, a sore arm, muscles, headache, or low-grade fever is normal.

Contact your doctor or healthcare provider if:

- The redness or tenderness where you got the shot increases after 24 hours
- Your side effects are worrying you or do not seem to be going away after a few days

REPORTING AN ADVERSE REACTION

1. Contact your healthcare provider.

2. Report an Adverse Event using the VAERS online form at <https://vaers.hhs.gov/>

For help with submitting your report, you can call 1-800-822-7967 or email info@vaers.org

Important: If you are experiencing a medical emergency, seek immediate assistance from a healthcare provider or call 9-1-1. CDC and FDA do not provide individual medical treatment, advice, or diagnosis. If you need individual medical or health care advice, consult a qualified healthcare provider.