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Covid-19, vaccines and the delta variant

The Delta variant is in our community and spreading. The Delta variant spreads **more easily** than the original COVID virus. <u>It spreads mostly</u> <u>among people who are not vaccinated.</u> We do not yet know if it causes more severe disease. We are still learning about the Delta variant and other variants.



What should I do?

GET VACCINATED! The COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective and free. Studies suggest that the Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines work on the Delta variant.

Where can I get vaccinated?

Go to <u>VaxFinder.mass.gov</u> to find a site near you. Or, visit <u>massgeneralbrigham.org/covidcommunityvan</u> for a schedule of our mobile vaccine clinics.



Scan for Mobile Vaccine Van Schedule

But I have heard that vaccinated people can still get COVID-19?

Vaccination is still the best protection against the virus. It's important to know that most COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations and deaths are in unvaccinated people. While vaccinated people can still be infected, the good news is the vaccines will give you excellent protection. Infections in vaccinated people—so called "breakthrough infections"—tend to be mild or with no symptoms. But infected people, even if they have had the vaccine, can still spread the disease to others. If you have symptoms of COVID-19 or have been exposed, follow public health guidance regarding isolation and quarantine, and testing.

Mask Up!

Anyone who **IS NOT** vaccinated <u>should always wear a mask indoors or at crowded outdoor</u> <u>events.</u>

Certain places require masking regardless of vaccination status. These include healthcare facilities and public transportation. There may be other places depending on where you live and local regulations.

Please note that recommendations for masking may change over the coming weeks and months. You can always mask up in places and situations that do not require it.