The COVID-19 vaccine requires two doses, several weeks apart, to be effective.

It is not known how effective just one dose of the vaccine would be long-term or how long you would be protected against COVID-19 with just one dose of the vaccine.

Continue to wear a mask, social distance from others and wash hands often even after vaccination.

**SECOND DOSE TIMING**

Get your second dose as close to the recommended date as possible (Pfizer: 21 days, Moderna: 28 days). There is no maximum amount of time between the first and second doses for either vaccine, but do not get the second dose earlier than recommended.

**SECOND DOSE LOCATION**

The vaccination site where you received your first dose should schedule your second dose appointment. Contact the vaccination site if you have not been scheduled for a second appointment. It is recommended to return to the same site for your second dose.

**SECOND DOSE BRAND**

The second dose of the vaccine must be the same brand as the first dose (Pfizer or Moderna). These vaccines are not interchangeable meaning you need to receive two doses of the same vaccine.

For more information visit [covid19.nj.gov/vaccine](https://covid19.nj.gov/vaccine) or call 855-568-0545.

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