Kids’ best shot against COVID-19

Kids ages 6 months and older are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine. When it comes to getting your child vaccinated, know the facts:

It’s safe.
The development of safe, effective COVID-19 vaccines has been a top priority for researchers. This vaccine, like all vaccines, has gone through a rigorous series of trials to earn its emergency use authorization.

It’s free.
COVID vaccines are available at no cost at health care providers and pharmacies throughout the community.

We know what’s in it.
The vaccine is manufactured with as few ingredients as possible, with each serving a specific purpose. In addition to fats, sugars and salt found in many foods, it contains a harmless piece of messenger RNA that teaches the body how to create an immune response to the virus.

It doesn’t impact fertility.
There is no peer-reviewed evidence that the COVID vaccine – or any vaccine – affects fertility. It doesn’t interact with the body’s DNA or have any hormonal properties that would cause it to impact fertility.

It’s the best way to prevent severe illness.
Kids have been getting sick from COVID-19, with some requiring hospitalization. The vaccine is the best way to prevent severe illness. It’s also critical in helping to stop the spread of the virus and prevent new variants from emerging.

If you have specific questions about your child’s health and the COVID vaccine, talk with their pediatrician or primary care provider.

Find the latest COVID resources and information for your family: chrichmond.org/covid-19
I got the COVID-19 vaccine!