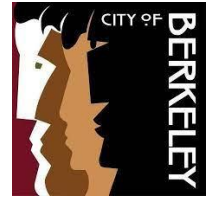




# Berkeley COVID Vaccine Clinic



The Pfizer vaccine has been authorized for children ages 5 to 11 years old. Carbon Health, in partnership with the City of Berkeley, will be hosting a series of vaccination clinics focused on serving this population throughout November and December.

## WHAT TO EXPECT AND HOW TO BEST PREPARE FOR YOUR APPOINTMENT:

- Please make an appointment ahead of time. Walk-in patients will NOT be admitted at this time
  - Please make sure you complete the health questionnaire when making your appointment, to ensure a quicker check-in experience.
- **Patients ages 5-15 must be accompanied by a responsible adult before, during, and after their appointment!**
- Upon arrival at the vaccination site, please wait in the check-in line to be admitted
  - NO insurance, ID or immunization records are needed
  - If you do not have an appointment, you might be asked to come back at a later date
  - Use this time to talk with your child and explain why you are here and what they can expect
- CHECKING IN
  - A Carbon Health staff will greet you and ask for the first & last name of the patient to confirm the appointment. If you have more than 1 child registered, we will check-in one patient at a time.
  - As the parent or guardian for the child, you will be asked to verbally consent to vaccination of your child
  - Once the check in is complete, you will wait to be called into the vaccination station
- VACCINATION
  - A healthcare provider will invite you and your child into the vaccination station. You will be asked to confirm your child's name and date of birth
  - Parents and caregivers play an important role when children receive vaccines. **How to support your child during the vaccination:**

- You have the option to sit next to your child or have them sit on your lap. Use your best judgement on what will make your child the most comfortable for the experience.
- Take time to explain in simple terms what to expect; be honest and calm. Explain that your child may feel a little pinch and it will go away very fast. Use words like “pressure” or “poke” rather than “pain” or “shot.”
- Bring anything your child finds comforting, like a favorite toy, blanket, or book, to help them focus on something pleasant.
- Due to the extremely high demand anticipated at these clinics, **vaccination appointments are limited to 15-minutes**. In the event we cannot vaccinate the child within the allotted time, we may ask you to reschedule and come back another day/time.
- MONITORING
  - Once vaccination is complete, you will be asked to move into the monitoring area and instructed to wait 15 to 30 minutes before leaving.
  - Once the time is up, you are welcome to leave. No need to check back in with the staff!
  - Volunteers will be available to answer questions and offer snacks & water
- AFTER THE VACCINE
  - Like some adults, some children experience a sore arm or other mild symptoms after receiving the COVID vaccine. If any more serious symptoms occur, please contact your child’s pediatrician or call 911 in case of an emergency.

**Thank you for doing your part to protect our community!**