

NEW HOPE CHILDREN'S CLINIC

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COVID-19 VACCINE for children 5-11 years old We have doses. You have questions. Let's Talk!

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine has been approved for use in children aged 5-11 years. This vaccine is 1/3 of the dose being used in older children and adults and will require two doses 3 weeks apart. New Hope Children's Clinic will have doses for 150 children. We have been told to expect delivery of the doses within the next 1-2 weeks.

Consider these facts: since the beginning of the pandemic 20 months ago at least 1.8 million children between 5 and 11 have been diagnosed with COVID-19. Children in this age range now make up more than 1 in 10 new infections and approximately 8,600 have been hospitalized with the virus with 1 in 3 requiring ICU care. Tragically, more than 150 have died. All members of our medical staff, with children in this age group, will be vaccinating our younger children to prevent infection, sick days, hospitalization, and other complications both short- and long-term. We hope you will join us.

If you have concerns and/or questions about the COVID-19 vaccine for your child, we would love to talk with you. We know there is a lot of information out there, and it can be overwhelming. It is difficult to know who and what to believe with all the opinions available on various platforms. We hope that in caring for your family, we have earned your trust. Our medical staff want what is best for your children and your family, and we have the expertise to understand the data and weed through all the false information that is out there. Our younger children have suffered and sacrificed enough because of COVID-19. Having a vaccine available for ALL school-aged children will safeguard their health and the health of their families as well as allow them to return to their pre-pandemic lives.

We will update you with appointment details when we know more. Our office will make the vaccine available to our patients as well as nonpatients. You may call our office to get on the waiting list or to schedule an appointment to discuss the vaccine with one of our clinicians.

Respectfully,

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