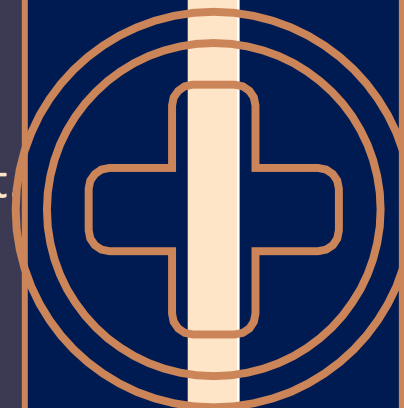


Vaccine Basics

Understanding what vaccines are and how they work

FAQs

Have a question about it? Find your answers here



- Eh!woza explains [how vaccines protect](#), and the use of [mRNA/Viral Vector Vaccines](#) with two animated videos.
- The [Vaccines Alliance](#) offers the latest news, info about the vaccine race, and what's currently under development
- Professor Gregory Hussey, Director of Vaccines for Africa and former Director of the IDM, speaks to SABC News about the [lack of information contributing to vaccine hesitancy](#) and possible ways to address this.

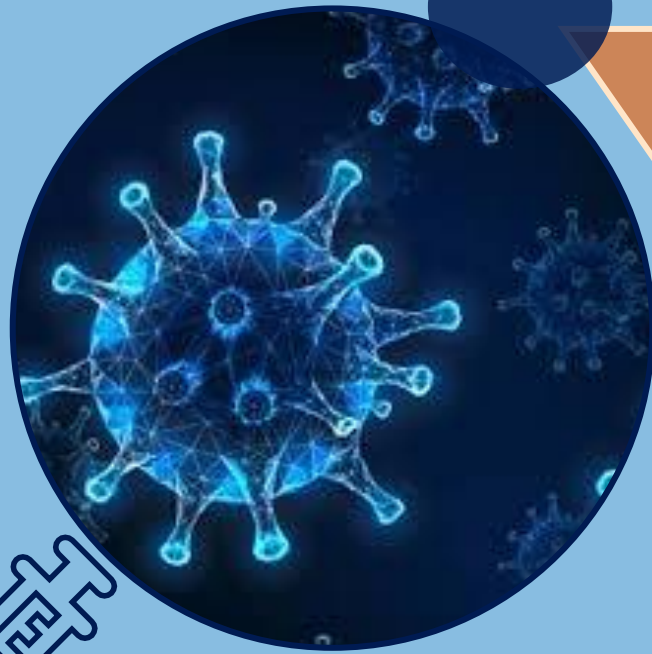
- The World Health Organization (WHO) has compiled Vaccines and immunization Q&As addressing [Vaccine safety](#) and [What is vaccination?](#)
- A broad spectrum of [answers to common questions](#) from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia – addressing COVID-19, vaccines, and queries about pregnancy and breastfeeding.

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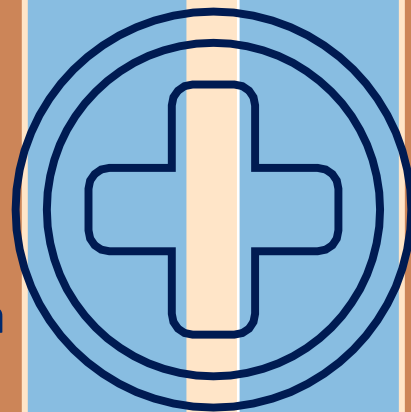
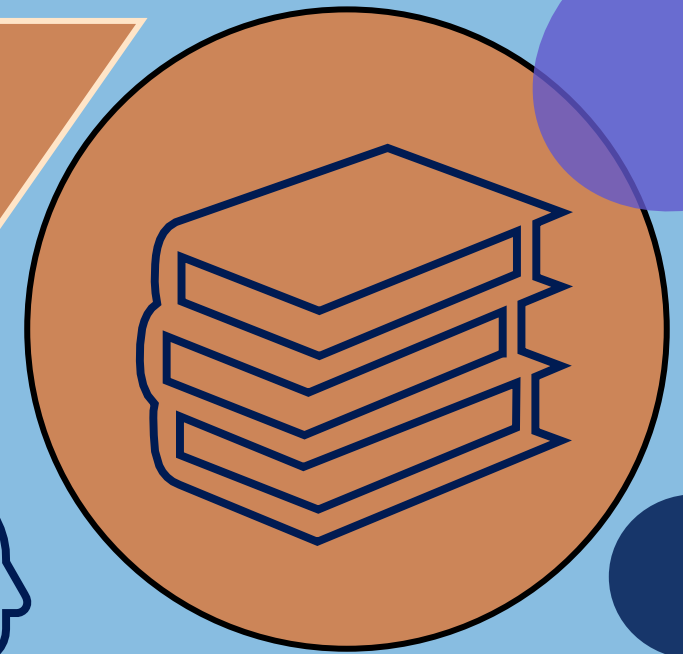


Vaccine Safety

Understanding how vaccines are developed builds trust in this intervention as a viable and healthy option

General Resources

A library of resources targeted at the current conversations about vaccines



- In this [video](#) Dr Paul Offit from the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia addresses safety concerns considering the speedy vaccine development.
- The European Vaccination Information Portal [illustrates the regulations](#) monitoring COVID-19 vaccine safety.
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provides a [closer look](#) at the evaluation of the mRNA vaccine.

- Canada-based CANVax equips public health professionals with access to a [resource centre](#) focused on vaccine acceptance and uptake.
- The HIV Vaccine Trials Network has curated a [CoVPN Community Engagement Materials Menu](#) - Password: CoVPNTria!\$
- The WHO’s guide on [How to respond to vocal vaccine deniers in public](#).

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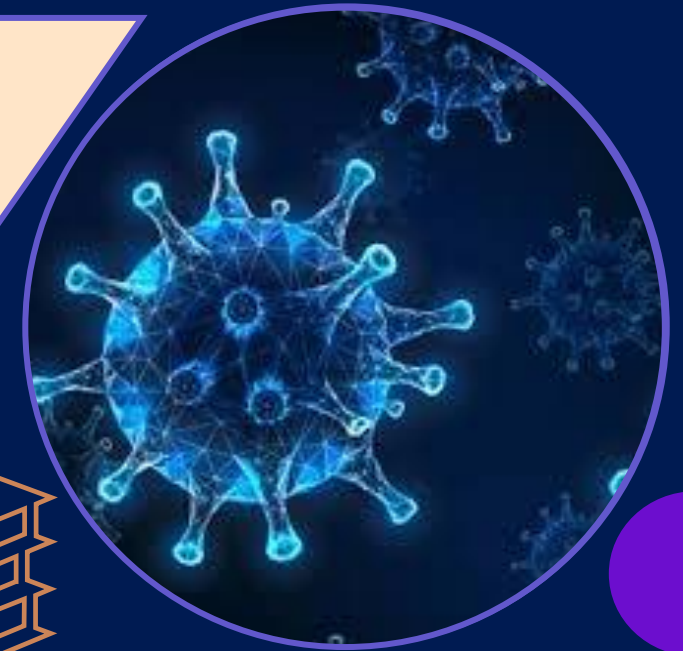


Downloads

Advocacy material you can share to improve understanding and combat vaccine hesitancy

Good Reads

Academic content, articles and commentary addressing COVID-19 and worldwide vaccine developments



- Vaccinate Your Family has [COVID-19 Graphics and Educational Handouts](#) that can be shared on social media and other spaces.
- The WHO has developed handy tips for [Parenting in the time of COVID-19](#) and shareable [Mythbusting posters](#).

- Professor Tom Scriba, Deputy Director of the South African Tuberculosis Vaccine Initiative, [relies on evidence](#) to tackle vaccine hesitancy and misinformation.
- An interim [analysis](#) of randomised controlled trials published in *The Lancet*.
- A [collection of articles](#) and other resources from the *New England Journal of Medicine*.

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