Myths vs. Facts about the COVID-19 Vaccine

Fact
The production process for both vaccines was reviewed and approved by a data safety monitoring board and the vaccines were tested very carefully. Millions of people have already been safely vaccinated.
This is not true. The COVID-19 vaccine does not contain any part of the virus, and it cannot infect you.
Some people have flu-like symptoms including fever, chills, tiredness or a sore arm, but this is normal. It means the vaccine is teaching your body to create an immune response. These symptoms usually go away within a day or two.
Those who have a history of severe allergies, are immunocompromised, pregnant or breastfeeding should discuss getting a vaccine with their doctor.
Natural immunity length for those who have had COVID-19 is unknown, so vaccination is still recommended.
You must still take these steps to help end the pandemic, as we don't know if the vaccine prevents you from transmitting the virus. Continue to wash your hands, watch your distance and wear a mask.
No, the vaccine cannot change your DNA.
There is no cost for the vaccine.
MetroHealth is vaccinating people 12 and older. Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Vaccinations are available to everyone, regardless of whether they are a MetroHealth patient. There is no charge to receive the vaccine. Go to https://www.metrohealth.org/covid-19/covid-vaccine for the most current vaccination locations, dates and to schedule an appointment. If you need help, call 216-778-6100.

