

The Mpox Vaccine

(JYNNEOS Vaccine)



Mpox (formerly known as monkeypox) is caused by a virus that is closely related to the virus that causes smallpox. JYNNEOS is a 2-dose vaccine that was developed to protect against both mpox and smallpox. Vaccination is an important tool in preventing the spread of mpox, however people who are vaccinated should continue to avoid close, skin-to-skin contact with someone who has mpox.

You should consider getting the vaccine if:

- You are a gay, bisexual, or other man who has sex with men, or a transgender, nonbinary, or gender-diverse person who in the past 6 months has had any of the following:
 - » A new diagnosis of one or more sexually transmitted diseases (like HIV, chancroid, chlamydia, gonorrhea, or syphilis).
 - » More than one sex partner.
- In the past 6 months you:
 - » Had sex at a commercial sex venue (like a sex club or bathhouse).
 - » Had sex at an event, venue, or in an area (city or county for example) where mpox transmission is occurring.
- You have a sex partner who identifies with any of the above scenarios.
- You anticipate experiencing any of the above scenarios.
- You work with orthopoxviruses in a laboratory or are part of an orthopoxvirus and health care worker response team.

You should get the vaccine if:

- You had a known or suspected exposure to someone with mpox.

- You had a sex partner in the past 2 weeks who was diagnosed with mpox.
- You are a gay, bisexual, or other man who has sex with men, or are a transgender, nonbinary, or gender-diverse person who has had any of the following within the past 2 weeks:
 - » Sex with multiple partners or group sex
 - » Sex at a commercial sex venue (like a sex club or bathhouse)
 - » Sex at an event, venue, or in an area (city or county for example) where mpox transmission is occurring.

You should NOT get the vaccine if:

- You had a severe allergic reaction (such as anaphylaxis) after getting your first dose of JYNNEOS vaccine.
- Talk to your healthcare provider if you have a history of an allergic reaction to the antibiotics gentamicin or ciprofloxacin, or chicken or egg protein.

You should take extra caution if:

- You have a history of an allergic reaction to vaccines in general. You may still be vaccinated with JYNNEOS, but your provider may need to observe you for 30 minutes after you get vaccinated to make sure you don't develop an allergic reaction.