Addressing Your Concerns About the COVID-19 Vaccine

**What is the COVID-19 vaccine?**
It helps our bodies develop immunity to the virus that causes COVID-19 without having to get the illness. It can protect you from getting sick, but also help protect other people around you who may have underlying health conditions that put them at risk for severe illness from COVID-19.

**Is the vaccine safe?**
Yes. Its safety is a top priority and it is being held to the same safety standards as all other vaccines. It has been tested with diverse groups of people.

**What are the possible side effects?**
The most common side effect is pain at the injection site and mild symptoms like fever and chills, but they go away within 24-72 hours.

**When will the vaccine be available to me?**
The goal is to vaccinate everyone as soon as possible. Talk with your doctor, case manager, and other staff to find out when the vaccine may be available to you.

**Will I have to pay for the vaccine?**
No. There is no cost for people who receive it.

**I have more questions, who should I ask?**
Feeling unsure about getting vaccinated is normal and an important step in making a thoughtful decision. For more information, talk with a healthcare professional or someone in your community you trust who has had the vaccine.

Remember after you are vaccinated, you will need to continue to wash your hands regularly, wear a mask, and socially distance.