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COVID-19 Vaccine Available for Children Six Months and Older Midland County Dept. of Public Health Now Offering Appointments

Midland, Michigan – The Midland County Department of Public Health (MCDPH) will begin providing COVID-19 vaccinations for children aged 6 months and up on Tuesday, June 28, by appointment. Both Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech vaccines will be available. A parent or guardian must be present for the child to receive the vaccination. To schedule a COVID-19 vaccine appointment with MCDPH, visit our online scheduler [Find an appointment](#), or call 989-832-6665 and we will be happy to assist you in making an appt. Walk-ins are also welcome.

Elizabeth Hertel, Director of the Michigan Dept. of Health & Human Services (MDHHS), states, “We are extremely grateful to now be able to vaccinate nearly all residents in our state. It is important to get children age 6 months and up vaccinated as quickly as possible to save even more lives and reduce serious illness across our communities, and we want to remind everyone to get boosted if they are eligible. Getting the safe and effective vaccine is an effort that every eligible Michigan resident can take to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and its variants. Working together we can help keep our families safe and healthy.”

According to MDHHS, Michigan has had more than 427,000 confirmed COVID cases in those aged 19 and younger, and 44 deaths have been reported in ages 0-19 as of June 15. Vaccination is the best protection against COVID-19 and to date, more than 6.7 million Michiganders have received at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccines.

In clinical trials, vaccine side effects were mild, similar to those seen in adults and older children. The most common side effects were fatigue and a sore arm. The FDA report is available [here](#) for review.

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