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Re: **Update on Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine**
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News Release: Update on Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine

The New York State Department of Health has released the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issued statements for individuals receiving the Johnson & Johnson vaccine:

- For people who got the J & J COVID-19 vaccine more than a month ago, the risk to them is very low at this time.
- For people who recently got the J & J COVID-19 vaccine-within the last few weeks-they should be aware of any symptoms.
    - If you have received the J & J COVID-19 vaccine and develop severe headache, abdominal pain, leg pain, or shortness of breath, you should contact your healthcare provider and seek medical treatment.
- Importantly, there are three vaccines available. We are not seeing these events with the other two vaccines (Moderna and Pfizer).
- People who have vaccine appointments with the other two vaccines should continue with their appointment. The New York State Department of Health's partners will work with those scheduled to receive the J & J vaccine in the days ahead to reschedule.

The Allegany County Department of Health will continue to provide updates as they are made available from New York State, the CDC, or the FDA.

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