

# Every shot COUNTS

Help us take our shot against COVID-19 Ohio!  
We have the players. We have the skills.  
We can score a victory!

The COVID-19 vaccine is our best defense against the virus and its variants, which are still a very serious health risk for all Ohioans. People – especially long-term care staff and residents – who have up-to-date vaccinations have less chance of contracting COVID-19, generally experience milder symptoms, and are less likely to be hospitalized for their symptoms.

Just as an athlete sometimes needs a boost to stay in the game, we need a boost to keep our defense against the virus strong.

A vaccine booster, like a sports drink, ensures that our bodies are providing the strongest defense against COVID-19. The COVID-19 booster is widely available and provides another layer of protection to prevent illness and the spread of the disease.

For more than a year, the Ohio Vaccine Maintenance Program has connected facilities with players in their communities to ensure vaccinations are up-to-date for new and existing staff and residents. Our game plan works. We win when everyone takes their shot.

## A complete defense strengthens our game plan.

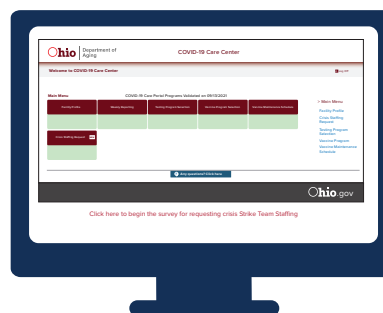
- Use face masks and other personal protective equipment along with sanitation procedures prescribed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- Create a COVID-19 testing plan to prevent the spread of the virus among staff and residents.
- Access treatment protocols that have been approved and prioritized for long-term care settings.
- Seek assistance to ensure adequate staffing at all times – effective infection control and prevention begins with an empowered staff.

Vaccine booster  
increases  
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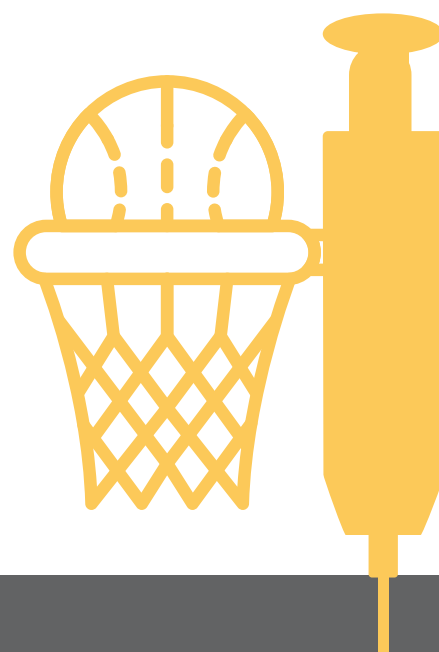
# Reporting is important.

When you report your staff and resident vaccination rates, it allows for effective allocation of state and federal resources where they are most needed. Reporting also helps individuals, families, and advocates make informed decisions about the best and safest places to receive the care they need.



# Every team needs a coach.

We're here to provide the guidance and know-how to help you win. Ohio's Regional Rapid Response Assistance Program is ready to help with services including vaccination clinics, COVID-19 testing, infection prevention and control education, and staffing support. Visit [www.aging.ohio.gov/r3ap](http://www.aging.ohio.gov/r3ap) or call **1-855-732-7632** to learn more.



Taking our shot will help us score a victory for the older Ohioans and people with disabilities who trust us to safely serve and care for them.

