



Newton-Wellesley Family Pediatrics

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COVID Vaccine for 12 years+

As of May 10, 2021 [Pfizer](#) has officially been approved for ages 12+, and [Moderna](#) is actively seeking approval for patients of this age as well.

Where can my child get their vaccine?

- Mass Vaccination Sites vaxfinder.mass.gov
- Newton-Wellesley Hospital: Vaccine Hotline 781-960-1567
- Boston Children's Hospital (any patient or adult): 617-919-7102
- Pediatric Healthcare Associates in Peabody: 978-818-6792
- [CIC Health](#)
- Pharmacies

We do not currently have the COVID-19 vaccine in our clinic, but stay tuned!

We are COVID-19 Testing!

Testing Reminder: We are currently offering **COVID-19 testing** via rapid nucleic acid (PCR and molecular) tests **in our office** at NWFP. Schedule today if you need a test!

Turn around time: 30-45 minutes

What type: nucleic acid (PCR and molecular)

Who: Patients *and* non-patients

Cost: Tests for patients who are symptomatic or have known exposure will be run through insurance. Elective tests will not be covered by most insurances. Non-patients can also request a test for \$160.

Reminders for a swift visit with NWFP during the

COVID-19 pandemic

- ****NEW: Well visit questionnaires are available via MyChart up to 1 week before your visit. Please attempt to fill out any forms assigned to you or your child before you visit - this both expedites your visit and means less paperwork when you arrive! If you are not signed up for MyChart, call us today to do so.**
- Hospital entrances are being monitored and patients are checked in one at a time following COVID safety precautions and **it may take longer than usual to get up to our office**, please plan accordingly
- Please remember to **call from your car** to notify us when you have arrived so we can ensure that an exam room is available to minimize any wait time in our waiting room
- Prior to your appointment, you will be asked screening questions with your reminder call, please make sure to **notify us if you have ANY symptoms of illness at all**, and please make sure to notify us if new symptoms develop since you have last spoken to our staff. We have **strict protocols for any patients with symptoms** (time of day, specific rooms and staff that will assist you) and must know ahead of time so that we can ensure safety for all
- If you have symptoms or known COVID exposure, and are scheduled for a non-urgent follow up or well visit, we kindly ask you re-schedule your visit as *we do not have the capacity to do a sick visit and well visit at the same time*
- We thank you for your understanding in efforts to keep our community safe. Review any further office changes on our [website](#)

Useful Links:



[**Fever dosing links**](#)

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