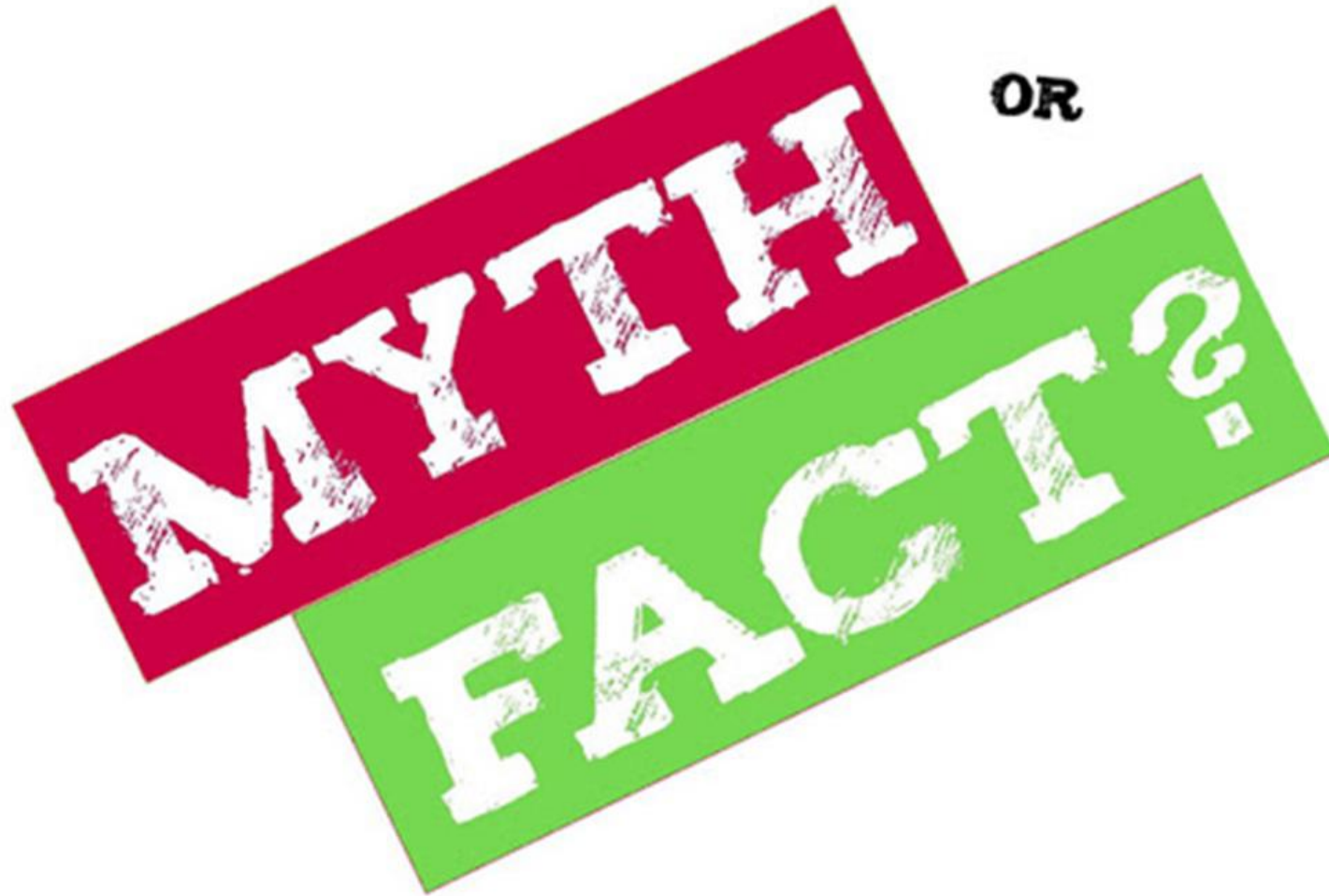


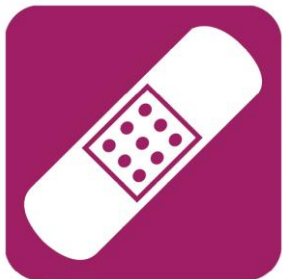
# The COVID-19 Vaccine:



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*“I could get infected with COVID by taking the vaccine.”*

**MYTH** OR **FACT?**



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*“I could get infected with COVID by taking the vaccine.”*

**MYTH**

**fact**



None of the approved COVID-19 vaccines in the United States contain the live virus that causes COVID-19. This means that a COVID-19 vaccine **cannot make you sick with COVID-19.**

*“I won’t have to wear a mask after I get the COVID vaccine.”*

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*“I won’t have to wear a mask after I get the COVID vaccine.”*



**fact**

A vaccinated person **could still get infected** with the SARS-CoV-2 virus. While this may not impact you directly, it could impact people around you. Until more is known, fully vaccinated people should **continue to wear masks and stay 6 feet apart** from other people **except when you’re with your roommate, in your room**. Remember to socialize outside whenever possible!

*“I don’t need the vaccine because I’ve already had COVID and recovered.”*

**MYTH** OR **FACT?**



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*“I don’t need the vaccine because I’ve already had COVID and recovered.”*



**fact** ● ●

You **should be vaccinated** even if you’ve had COVID-19. Experts **do not yet know how long** you are protected after recovering from COVID-19.

*“The COVID vaccines were developed in a hurry and aren’t safe.”*

**MYTH** OR **FACT?**



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*“The COVID vaccines were developed in a hurry and aren’t safe.”*



fact



Covid-19 vaccine development was rapid, but medical researchers didn't get to skip any steps. They had to go through the **normal process** for vaccine development and approval. Over **92 million doses** of COVID-19 vaccine have been administered in the U.S. (as of 3/8/21). The most common side effects are **pain in the vaccinated arm, fever, chills, fatigue, and headache**. These side effects should go away in a few days.

*“I can’t afford to pay  
for the vaccine.”*

**MYTH** OR **FACT?**



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*“I can’t afford to pay for the vaccine.”*

**MYTH**

**fact**

The federal government is providing the vaccine **free of charge** to all people living in the U.S., regardless of their immigration or health insurance status. Vaccine providers **cannot charge you** for copays or office visit fees if the only service provided is a COVID-19 vaccination.

*“IC students who are vaccinated are allowed to travel outside of Tompkins County.”*

**MYTH** OR **FACT?**



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*“IC students who are vaccinated are allowed to travel outside of Tompkins County.”*

**fact** ●●

**MYTH**

Traveling is still one of the **fastest ways to spread** COVID-19, especially because there are so many people unvaccinated! For this reason, **all students are expected to remain in Tompkins County**, and please ask guests or visitors not to come to the area.





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# How to Get the Vaccine



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- Place your name on the **Tompkins County Vaccine Registry** and be notified when appointments are available. The clinics are typically held at the **Shops at Ithaca Mall**. Which is **accessible by TCAT Route 11**. 
- Or use the NYS **"Am I Eligible?" tool** to make an appointment at a NYS site. The Syracuse and Binghamton sites are closest to Ithaca College. 
- Local pharmacies such as **CVS Pharmacy, Kinney Drugs, Walgreens, and Wegmans** may have limited appointments available. These pharmacies are also accessible by **TCAT**. Check their websites to register and schedule!