

Vaccine card incorrect for single-dose COVID-19 vaccine. When a hospital received its first shipment of the single-dose Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccine, the accompanying supplies included COVID-19 Vaccination Record Cards that reference a two-dose vaccine series (**Figure 1**). The cards have the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) logos in the upper right corner. All vaccination sites receive these cards with the Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech vaccines, which require two doses. The front of the card provides space to document the product name, manufacturer, and lot number of both the first and second vaccine doses. The back of the card includes a reminder to return for a second dose, which appears in both English and Spanish. Since the Janssen vaccine is only a single-dose vaccine, this may cause confusion and lead patients to seek an unnecessary second dose.

COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card

Please keep this record card, which includes medical information about the vaccines you have received.
Por favor, guarde esta tarjeta de registro, que incluye información médica sobre las vacunas que ha recibido.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ MI: _____
Date of birth: _____ Patient number (medical record or ID record number): _____

Vaccine	Product Name/Manufacturer Lot Number	Date	Healthcare Professional or Clinic Site
1 st Dose COVID-19	_____	mm / dd / yy	_____
2 nd Dose COVID-19	_____	mm / dd / yy	_____
Other	_____	mm / dd / yy	_____
Other	_____	mm / dd / yy	_____

Reminder! Return for a second dose!
¡Recordatorio! ¡Regrese para la segunda dosis!

Vaccine	Date / Fecha
COVID-19 vaccine Vacuna contra el COVID-19	mm / dd / yy
Other Otra	mm / dd / yy

Bring this vaccination record to every vaccination or medical visit. Check with your health care provider to make sure you are not missing any doses of routinely recommended vaccines.
Lleve este registro de vacunación a cada cita médica o de vacunación. Consulte con su proveedor de atención médica para asegurarse de que no le falte ninguna dosis de las vacunas recomendadas.


For more information about COVID-19 and COVID-19 vaccine, visit cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.
Para obtener más información sobre el COVID-19 y la vacuna contra el COVID-19, visite www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

You can report possible adverse reactions following COVID-19 vaccination to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) at vaers.hhs.gov.
Puede notificar las posibles reacciones adversas después de la vacunación contra el COVID-19 al Sistema de Notificación de Reacciones Adversas a las Vacunas (VAERS) en vaers.hhs.gov.

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Figure 1. COVID-19 Vaccination Record Cards accompanying the Janssen single-dose vaccine incorrectly call for two doses (front of card, top) and advises patients to return for a second dose (back of card, bottom).

The hospital submitted an inquiry to the CDC and so did ISMP. The CDC noted that it is not presently considering an update to the card for the Janssen vaccine. The hospital is now affixing labels on the cards for use with the Janssen vaccine to note that a second dose is not required (**Figure 2**). They also cover the statement on the back of the card about returning for a second dose.

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1 st Dose COVID-19		mm / dd / yy	
THIS COVID-19 VACCINE IS A SINGLE DOSE INJECTION. (SECOND DOSE NOT REQUIRED)		mm / dd / yy	
		mm / dd / yy	
Other		mm / dd / yy	

Figure 2. One hospital affixes a label to each card handed to patients who receive the Janssen single-dose COVID-19 vaccine, indicating that only a single dose is needed.

Practitioners should educate patients receiving the Janssen vaccine, emphasizing that a second dose is not needed. This is reinforced in the Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers, which should be given to the vaccine recipient. This is similar to guidance that is recommended when a subsequent vaccine dose is not needed. For example, state vaccination record cards often include spaces for the dates of 4 doses of the Hib (*Haemophilus influenzae* type b) vaccine, but the child may only need 3 doses based on the age the doses were given or the product administered.

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