

THE SIDE-EFFECTS OF VACCINES

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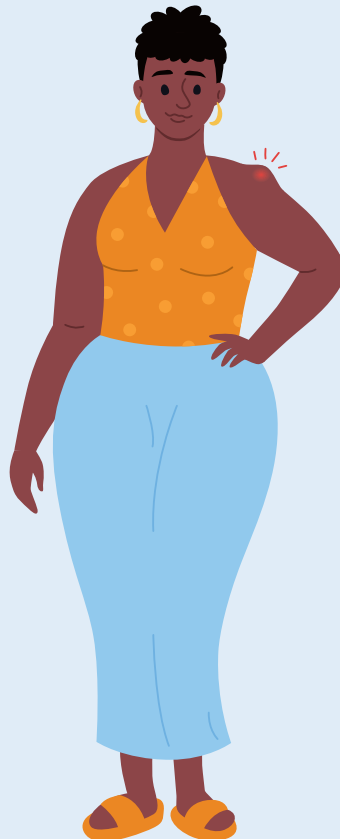


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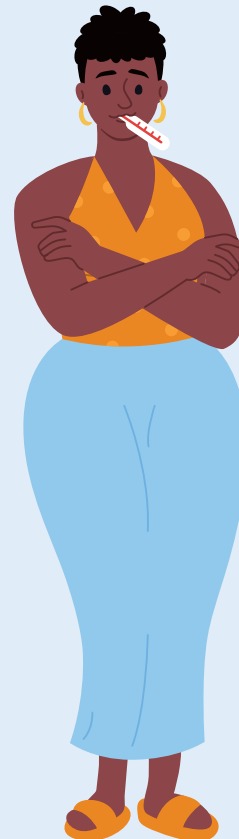
1 Pain



2 A red area
or a swelling



3 A fever



4 Disappears
quickly



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Can I get ill as a result of a vaccine?

After vaccination, you may suffer some slight side-effects. That is normal and it means that your body is reacting to the vaccine. The vaccine teaches your body how to recognise and combat the disease.

You won't actually become ill just because you received the injection, but you may experience some mild symptoms. These are called 'side-effects'. The following side-effects are the most common ones:

- **Pain in your arm** and a **red spot or swelling** at the place where your injection was given.
- **Fever, headache and/or muscle pain.**

The symptoms vary depending on the vaccine and mostly disappear after 1 or 2 days.

In many cases, suffering from the disease itself is much more serious than the side-effects.

On very rare occasions, you may suffer a serious side-effect, but that hardly ever happens. Are the side-effects lasting longer or getting worse? If so, call your doctor.



After receiving your vaccination, stay where you are for 15 minutes to make sure that everything is OK.