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Question: Can getting the COVID-19 vaccine help so-called long-haulers feel better? Long-haulers are people who have not recovered for weeks or even months after contracting the virus.

Answer: Maybe! A study from the United Kingdom shows that some long-haulers have reported an improvement in their symptoms after getting the vaccine. However, more research is needed to know for certain. It is important to note that there is a waiting period before getting the vaccine for those who have had the virus. Be sure to talk to a Dr. if you have specific health questions about getting the vaccine after having COVID-19.

Key Things to Know about COVID-19 Vaccines

- Fully Vaccinated means that is has been 2 weeks after your second dose in a 2-dose series (such as the Pfizer or Moderna Vaccine), or 2 weeks after a single-dose vaccine (such as the Johnson & Johnson Vaccine).
- The FDA has authorized emergency use of the Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine for adolescents 12 and older.
- COVID-19 vaccinations for 12-15 year-olds could be starting in Milwaukee as soon as this week, and then next week in Milwaukee schools.
- People who are *fully* vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of the pandemic.
- If you are fully vaccinated, please choose safer activities to participate in.
 Consider how COVID-19 is spreading in your community, the number of people participating in the activity, and the location of the activity.
- Outdoor visits and activities are safer than indoor, and fully vaccinated people can participate in some indoor activities safely, without much risk.
- Fully vaccinated people should wear a mask, and unvaccinated people should wear a mask, stay 6 feet apart, and make sure to thoroughly wash their hands.
- It is important to consider your own personal situation and the risk to you, your family, and your community before venturing out.

Choosing Safer Activities

	Unvaccinated People	Your Activity	Fully Vaccinated People
s Safest	$\overline{\mathbb{Q}}$	Outdoor Walk, run, or bike outdoors with members of your household	
	,	Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated family and friends	Ð
	Ð	Attend a small, outdoor gathering with fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people	Ð
Less Safe	Ð	Dine at an outdoor restaurant with friends from multiple households	Ð
Least Safe	Q	Attend a crowded, outdoor event, like a live performance, parade, or sports event	Q
		Indoor	
Less Safe	Ð	Visit a barber or hair salon	Q
	Ð	Go to an uncrowded, indoor shopping center or museum	Q
	Ð	Ride public transport with limited occupancy	Q
	Ð	Attend a small, indoor gathering of fully vaccinated and unvaccinated people from multiple households	Q
Least Safe	Q	Go to an indoor movie theater	Ð
	Q	Attend a full-capacity worship service	Ð
	R	Sing in an indoor chorus	Ð
	Q	Eat at an indoor restaurant or bar	Q
	R	Participate in an indoor, high intensity exercise class	Q



Today's Little Chuckle

Diner: Excuse me, waiter, but is there spaghetti on the menu?



Waiter: No, but I believe we have some in the kitchen!