

JnJ vaccines and the delta variant

We understand many health workers have questions about the JnJ vaccine and the delta variant.

Lab and antibody studies about to be published show:

- Protection strengthens after time
- Protection cover variants including beta and delta



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Did you receive a Sisonke vaccination?

We monitor COVID-19 infections daily.

We want to be sure health workers remain protected against severe COVID-19 during the 3rd wave.

If you get COVID-19 or are hospitalised for any reason please tell us ASAP.

Breakthrough Infections (BTIs)

These are infections that occur 4 weeks after vaccination (or 2 weeks post the 2nd dose of a two dose regimen). Vaccines do not prevent all cases of COVID but they protect against severe disease.

So far only just over 1% of health workers who received a Sisonke vaccination have reported a breakthrough infection. Of great reassurance is that 94% of these have been mild.

The JnJ vaccine is protecting our health workers.

If you get COVID-19 we want to be in touch to:

1

Confirm the diagnosis and timing.

2

Ask how you are and assess the severity of your symptoms.

3

If you have moderate or severe symptoms, quickly arrange for swabs that can be sent to sequence the virus.

Breakthrough Infections: Help us find you

We scan test results
from public and private
laboratories daily.

**If you get tested
for COVID-19:**

Please ensure your **ID /
Passport number** and **cellphone
number** that you used on EVDS are
entered on your test request forms.

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Breakthrough infections

Tell us by:



Register your infection on

https://is.gd/sisonke_bti



Email us at

sisonke.bti@mrc.ac.za



If you don't have access to the internet or email call us on

Sisonke Desk on **0800 014 956**

The email and desk are staffed Monday to Friday 8am to 5pm & Saturday 8am to 1pm.

Stay safe during the 3rd wave

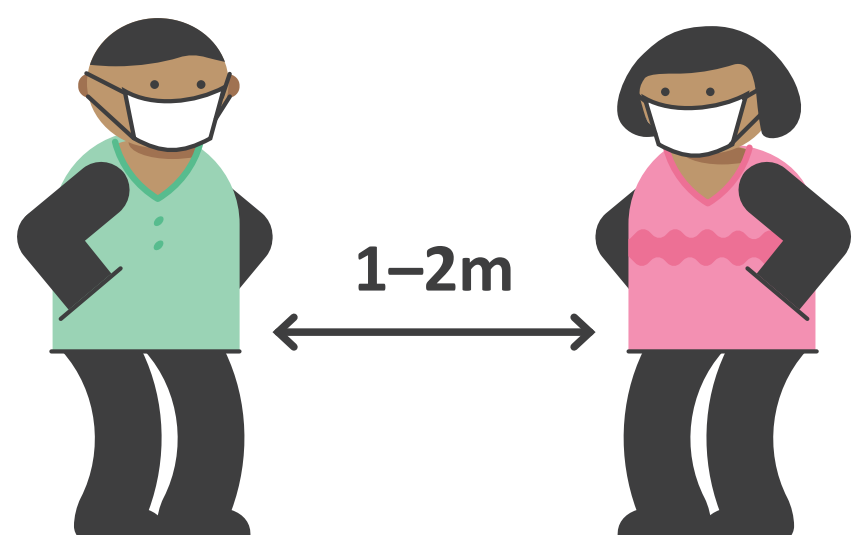
It is still possible to get COVID if you have been vaccinated, although you are less likely to get severely ill or require hospitalisation.

Stay safe at work

Wear your PPE consistently.

Stay safe at home

Avoid gatherings,
wear a mask
and keep
physical distance.



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