

MYTHS

FACTS

The COVID-19 vaccine is not safe because it was made quickly.

The COVID-19 vaccine was made based on many years of work. While steps were done quickly, no steps were skipped.

The COVID-19 vaccine will change my DNA.

The COVID-19 vaccine is a messenger RNA (mRNA) vaccine. This means, it only tells your body how to fight the virus. The vaccine cannot do anything to change your DNA.

The COVID-19 vaccine can give you COVID-19.

The COVID-19 vaccine does not have the virus in it.

You may have some side effects that last a short period of time. These can be things like a sore arm, headache or feeling tired and achy for 1 to 2 days. The vaccine will not cause loss of taste and/or smell or congestion. You will mostly have these side effects after the second dose.

The COVID-19 vaccine will fully protect me from COVID-19.

While the vaccine may keep you from getting sick, we do not know if you can still carry and give the virus to others.

Keep wearing a mask, washing your hands and social distancing.

The COVID-19 vaccine costs too much.

There is no direct cost to anyone to get the COVID-19 vaccine.

- **If you have insurance**, the cost to get the shot will be paid by your insurance. There will be no cost to you.
- **If you do not have insurance**, the cost to get the shot can be paid for by the Provider Relief Fund. There will be no cost to you.

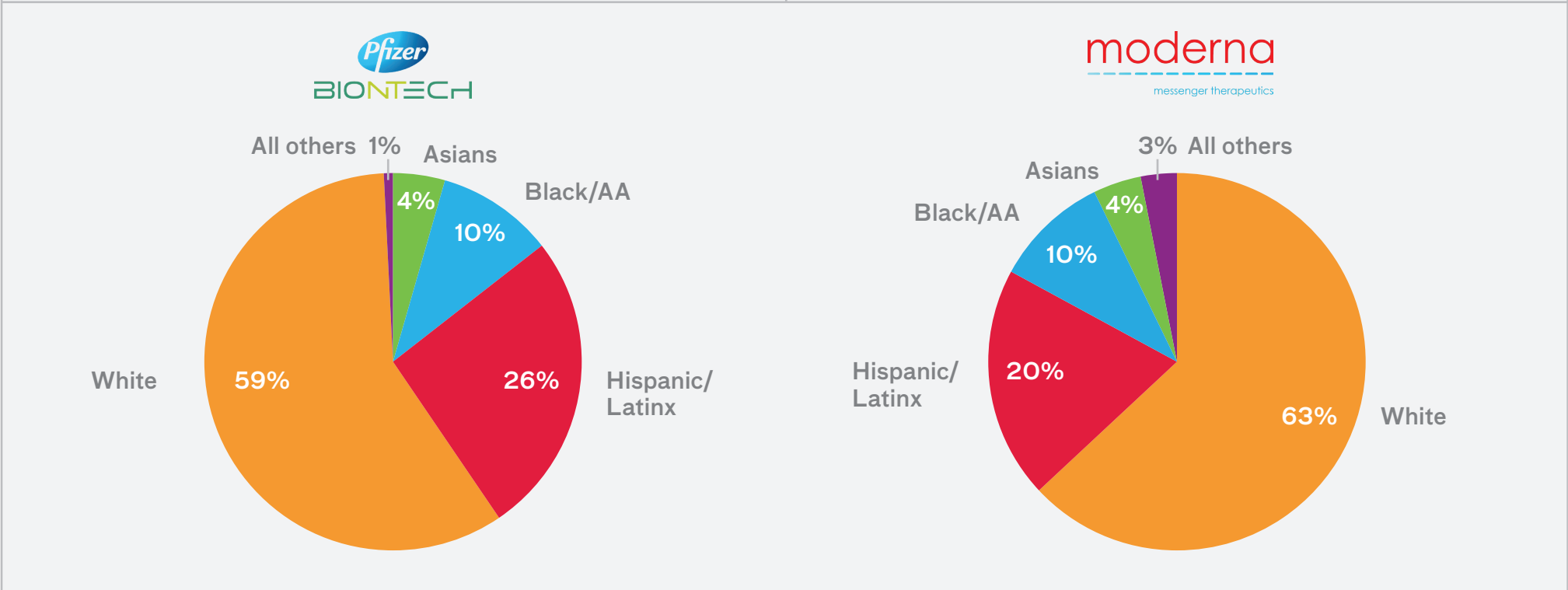
COVID-19 Vaccine: Myths vs. Facts



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The COVID-19 vaccine trials did not include people from different races and ethnicities.

The vaccines made by Pfizer and Moderna both included many people from different races and ethnicities. Those included were Black, African American, Hispanic, LatinX, Asian and others. See the chart below.



The COVID-19 vaccine can cause Bell's Palsy.

During the study, there were several cases of Bell's Palsy in those that got the vaccine, but the rate was not higher than we see in the general population.

Still have questions or ready to get the vaccine?
Go to: AtriumHealth.org/COVID19Vaccine