Prepare Pacific - Vaccination Program Slideshow Speaker Notes

Topic: The Effectiveness of the Vaccine

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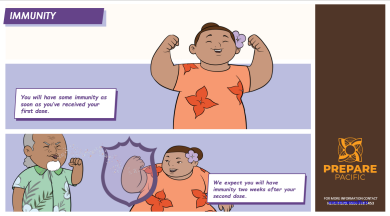
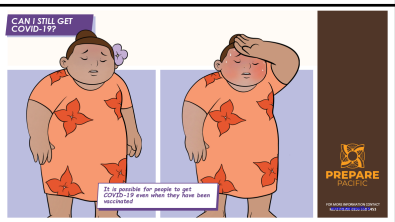
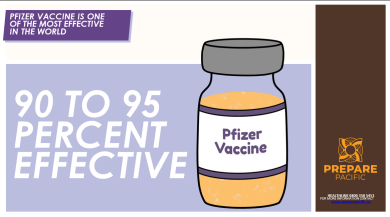
	**Immunity**	• Immunity is when your body is able to fight off COVID-19 when it comes into contact with it. • Once you have had your vaccination your body's immune system will take a few weeks to fully respond to the vaccine. • You will have some immunity as soon as you've received your first dose. • We expect you will have (remove the word 'maximum') immunity two weeks after your second dose.
	**Can I still get COVID-19?**	• It is possible for (remove the word 'some') people to get COVID-19 even when they have been vaccinated. • But if they do get COVID-19, people who have been vaccinated are likely to experience much milder symptoms and are unlikely to need hospital care. • So it's worth getting vaccinated because even if you do get COVID-19, the effects will be much less serious than they could have been.
	**Pfizer vaccine is one of the most effective in the world**	• Studies show that the Pfizer vaccine is 90 to 95 percent effective in those who receive it. • This means that people who had the vaccine had a 95% lower risk of getting sick with COVID-19 compared to people who did not have the vaccine at all. • That makes the Pfizer vaccine one of the most effective vaccines in the world. • At this stage we still don't know how long you will be protected against COVID-19 (remove "but we expect it to be at least 8 months and possibly longer.")