REASONS TO CHOOSE A COVID-19 VACCINE

1. A vaccine builds an immune response that protects your health and the health of other people.

2. The COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective. They do not contain SARS-CoV-2, and there is no live virus. The 2017-2018 flu season was the worst in the last 10 years, resulting in 61,000 American deaths. COVID-19 has killed more than 500,000 Americans.

3. Clinical trials for COVID-19 vaccines were five times larger than normal drug testing standards. For example, normal clinical trials have a few hundred to few thousand participants vs. over 30,000 participants just for the Moderna vaccine.

4. Early evidence suggests natural immunity from COVID-19 may not last long. The vaccine may help you develop a more lasting immune response and protect against some variants.

5. The New England Journal of Medicine released a report that studied more than 35,000 pregnant participants. The report concluded that mRNA vaccines did not show safety issues among pregnant women.

*All DoD personnel are encouraged to choose a COVID-19 vaccine to lower health risks associated with the COVID-19 pandemic.*