

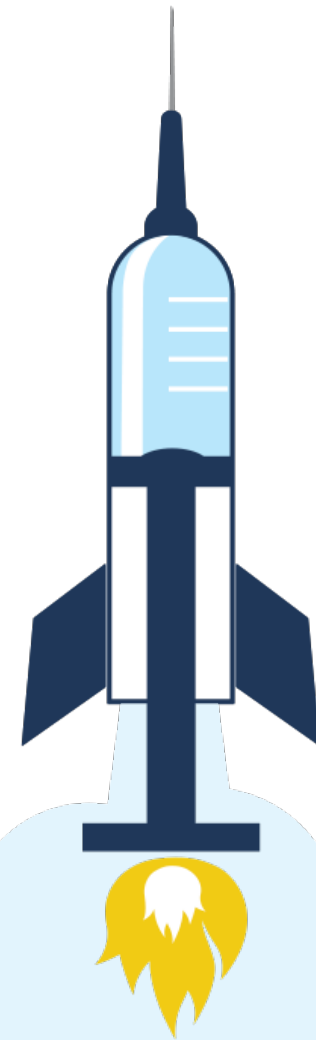
Boost Office Hours

August 1, 2024

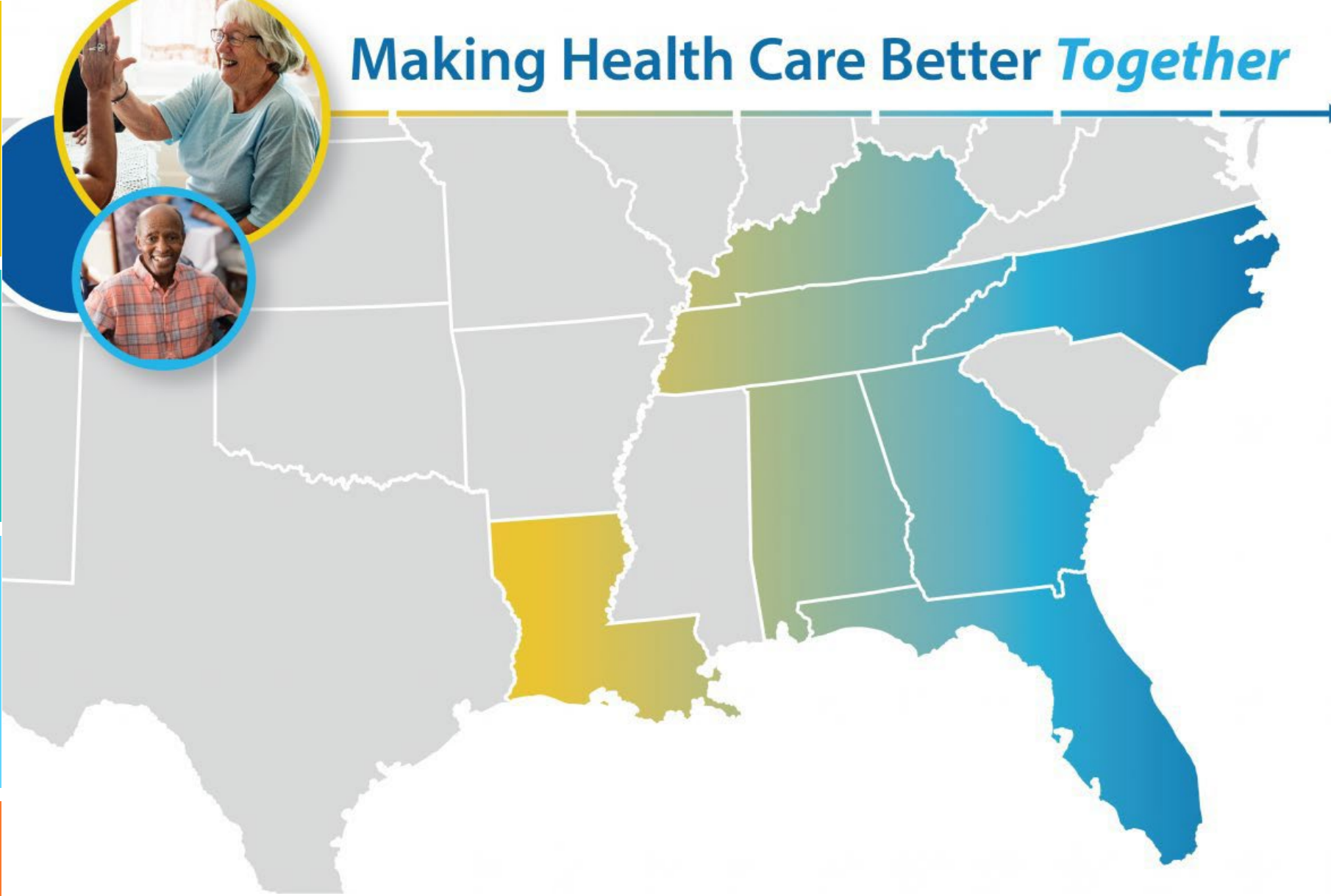
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- Past chair of an Infection Advisory Committee during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Created and issued guidance to a COVID-19 task force
- National and international speaker on infection prevention and control issues in nursing homes
- Board certified in internal medicine, geriatrics, and hospice and palliative medicine
- Masters in business administration from Georgia Institute of Technology





COVID-19 Updates

Deaths From Vaccine Preventable Illness

- People who died of flue (23-24): 44,900
- People who died of COVID-19 (2023 only): 75,500

COVID-19 Vaccine 2024-2025

- Everyone ages 6 months and older should receive an updated 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccine
 - Pfizer Moderna mRNA
 - Novavax (like Hepatitis)
 - Effective date – as soon as it is out



Vaccine Recommendations

2024-2025 Flu Vaccine Recommendation

Plan NOW

- Updated 2024-2025 flu vaccines will protect against an H1N1, H3N2 and a B/Victoria lineage virus.
- ACIP recommends that adults aged ≥ 65 years preferentially receive any one of the following higher dose or adjuvanted influenza vaccines:
 - quadrivalent high-dose inactivated influenza vaccine (HD-IIV4)
 - quadrivalent recombinant influenza vaccine (RIV4)
 - quadrivalent adjuvanted inactivated influenza vaccine (aIIV4)

RSV Vaccines – Adults

- ACIP recommends adults 75 years of age and older receive a single dose of RSV vaccine.^{a,b}
- ACIP recommends adults 60–74 years of age and older who are at increased risk of severe RSV disease^c receive a single dose of RSV vaccine.^{a,b}

^aRSV vaccination is recommended as a single lifetime dose only. Persons who have already received RSV vaccination are NOT recommended to receive another dose.

Pneumococcal Vaccines

- ACIP recommends PCV21 as an option for adults aged ≥ 19 years who currently have a recommendation to receive a dose of PCV.

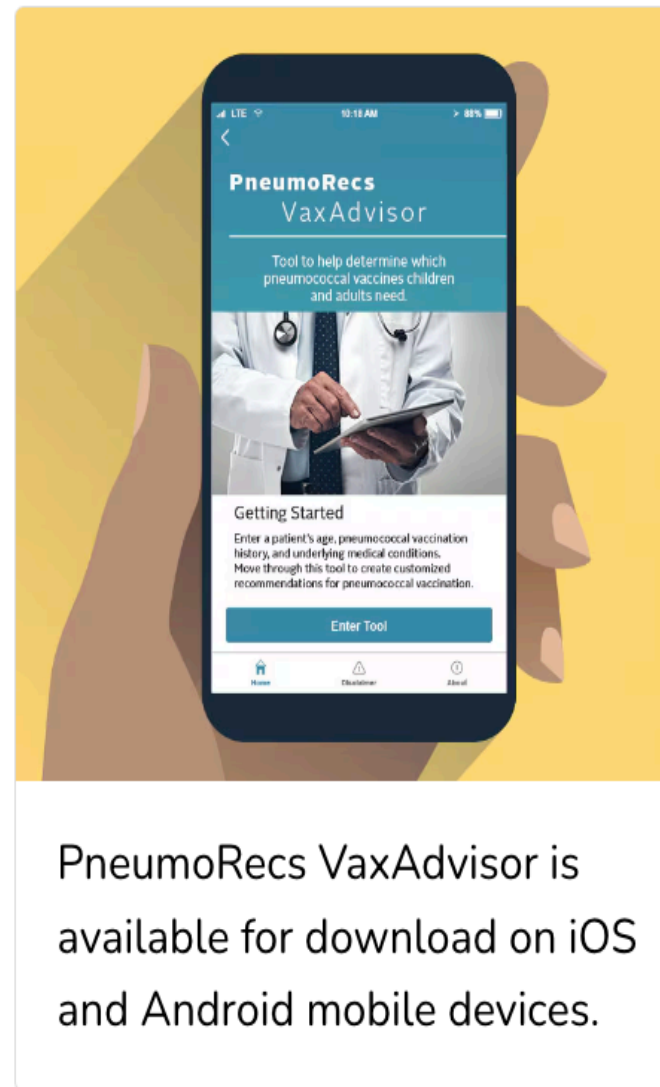
This recommendation was adopted by the CDC Director on June 27, 2024 and is now official.

The ***PneumoRecs VaxAdvisor*** mobile app helps vaccination providers quickly and easily determine which pneumococcal vaccines a patient needs and when. The app incorporates recommendations for all ages so internists, family physicians, pediatricians, and pharmacists alike will find the tool beneficial.

Users simply:

- Enter a patient's age.
- Note if the patient has specific underlying medical conditions.
- Answer questions about the patient's pneumococcal vaccination history.

Then the app provides patient-specific guidance consistent with the immunization schedule recommended by the U.S. Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP).





Procuring the Vaccine

2024-2025 COVID-19 Vaccine

Ordering

You can order all three vaccines through your medical supply company, pharmacy, or wholesaler once the 24-25 is available. To order directly from Moderna, visit Modernadirect.com. To order Pfizer, visit primevaccines.pfizer.com. Novavax can only be ordered through your medical supply company, pharmacy or wholesaler.

	PFIZER	MODERNA	NOVAVAX
TYPE	mRNA	mRNA	Protein
SINGLE/MULTI DOSE	Pre-filled syringe	Pre-filled syringe	Pre-filled syringe
Variant	KP.2	KP.2	JN.1
TEMPERATURE	Fridge temps . 36-46 degrees Fahrenheit	Freezer for up to 9 months -58 to 5 degrees Fahrenheit, fridge 30 days at 36-46	Fridge temps 36-46 degrees Fahrenheit
DIRECT ORDERING	Available	Available	Not Available
MINIMUM DOSES	Minimum direct order 2 boxes Which is 20 vaccines.	Minimum direct order 1 box or 10 vaccines.	Minimum 1 box (10 vaccines) from medical supply company
TRADE NAME	COMIRNATY	Spikevax	NVX-CoV2373
PRE-ORDERING	Direct from Pfizer or through wholesaler or pharmacy once available	Direct from Moderna or through a wholesaler or pharmacy once available.	Available through wholesaler once 24-25 vaccine available.

Pre-Order COVID-19 Vaccine for Next Year

- Eliminate access issues by ordering your COVID-19 vaccines with your flu vaccines
- Direct ordering is now available
- Pharmacy pre-orders – check with the pharmacy to see when available
- Medical supply company – check to see when available



Order your COVID-19 vaccines through your LTC pharmacies, wholesalers, or directly from manufacturers

- Moderna: [Modernadirect.com](https://modernadirect.com)
- Novavax does not offer direct ordering
- Pfizer: primevaccinespfizer.com

Consents

When working with your local Health Department or big box pharmacy, ask for the most current consent.

- Using your own consent? Make sure the pharmacy or HD accepts it.
- Make sure they accept verbal consent
- Sample consents can be found at immunize.org

Vaccine Consent Form – Multiple Vaccines

- I, the undersigned, have received information about the risk and benefits of the vaccines listed below.
- I have had the opportunity to ask questions and have received answers to my satisfaction.
- I understand the vaccination process and freely consent to such process.
- I understand that I will be screened for eligibility prior to receiving any vaccine dose based on the recommended vaccine schedule by the National Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP).
- I understand that I may change my mind about vaccination at any time prior to receiving the vaccine(s).
- I understand that this consent form is good for 3 years. It will be reviewed and offered for renewal every 3 years.
- I consent to the vaccines selected below as indicated by circling Yes. My signature also authorizes entry of the vaccination(s) into the State Immunization Registry if required.

Vaccine	Consent (Circle Yes or No)	
	Yes	No
Influenza	Yes	No
COVID-19	Yes	No
Pneumococcal (PCV15, PCV20; PPSV23)	Yes	No
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Yes	No
Tdap	Yes	No
Shingles	Yes	No
Other Vaccines recommended by ACIP:	Yes	No

Signature of Resident or Legal Representative

Date/Time

If Legal Representative, state relationship to Resident

****If Legal Representative, please ensure receipt of a copy of the Healthcare Power of Attorney, Advance Directive, Letters of Guardianship, or other documents that authorize Resident Representative to execute this consent.**

Name:	Birthdate:
Admission Date:	Medical Record #:
Physician:	

Vaccine Consent to vaccines during stay

Questions?



Nursing Home and Partnership for Community Health: CMS 12th SOW GOALS



OPIOID UTILIZATION AND MISUSE

- Promote opioid best practices
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- Reduce opioid adverse drug events in all settings



PATIENT SAFETY

- Reduce hospitalizations due to c. diff
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- Reduce adverse drug events
-
- Reduce facility acquired infections



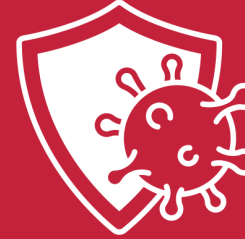
CHRONIC DISEASE SELF- MANAGEMENT

- Increase instances of adequately diagnosed and controlled hypertension
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- Increase use of cardiac rehabilitation programs
-
- Reduce instances of uncontrolled diabetes
-
- Identify patients at high-risk for kidney disease and improve outcomes



CARE COORDINATION

- Convene community coalitions
-
- Reduce avoidable readmissions, admissions to hospitals and preventable emergency department visits
-
- Identify and promote optimal care for super utilizers



COVID-19

- Support nursing homes by establishing a safe visitor policy and cohort plan
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- Provide virtual events to support infection control and prevention
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- Support nursing homes and community coalitions with emergency preparedness plans



IMMUNIZATION

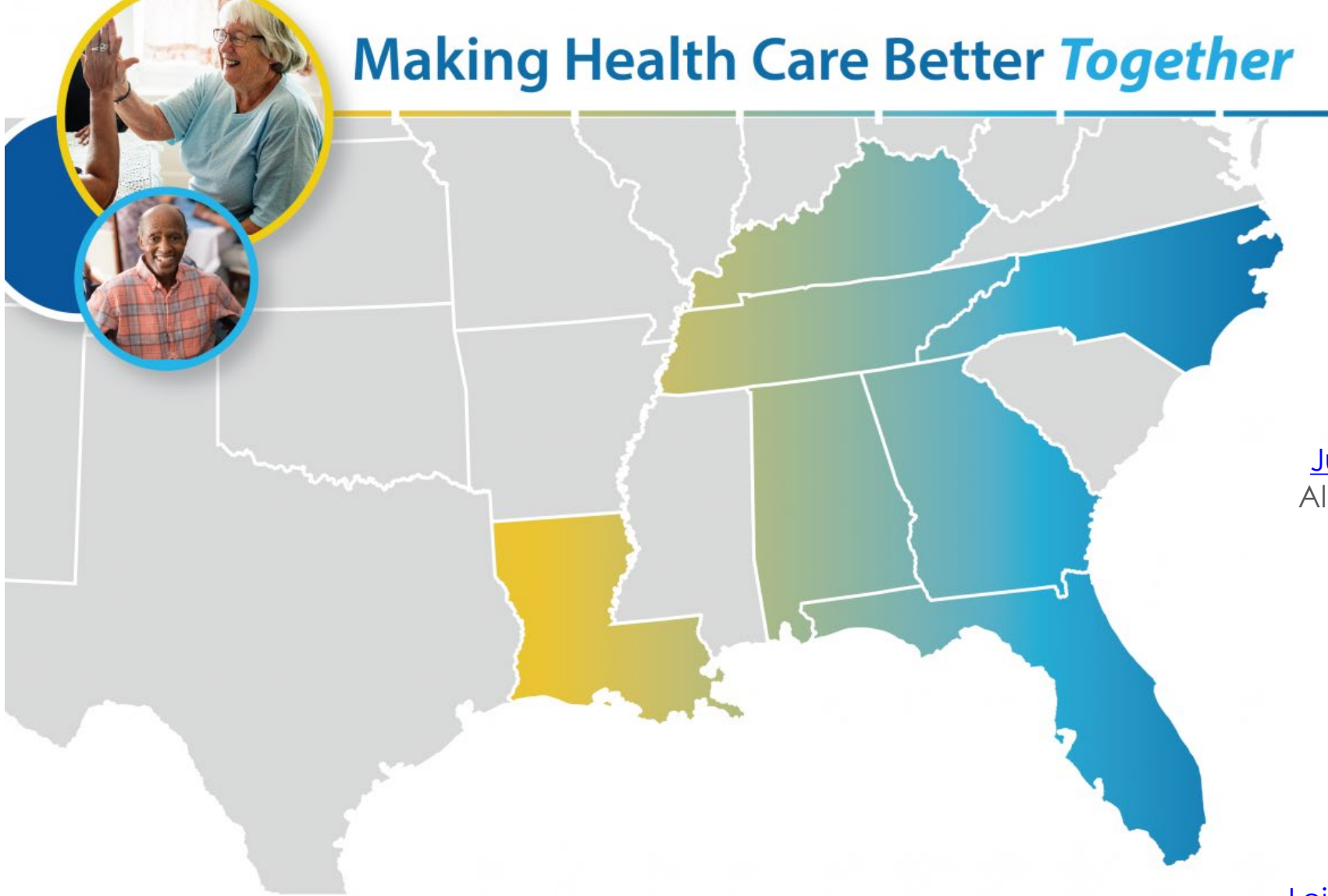
- Increase influenza, pneumococcal, and COVID-19 vaccination rates



TRAINING

- Encourage completion of infection control and prevention trainings by front line clinical and management staff

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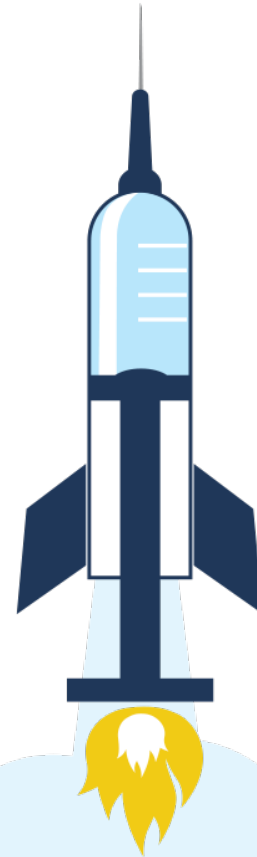
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