High COVID-19 Vaccine Acceptance Among Infection Preventionists

ABOUT THE SURVEY: APIC conducted an online survey of its 11,077 U.S.-based infection preventionist members January 20-25, 2021. IPs develop, share, and evaluate evidence-based practices to prevent the spread of infection, including vaccination, protocols for hand hygiene, and the proper use of PPE. Results shown are based on responses from 1,598 infection preventionists (IPs) located throughout the U.S.

Top Reasons IPs Cite for Vaccine Hesitancy Among Other Health Workers

SURVEY QUESTION: What are the main concerns contributing to COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy or declination among other health-care personnel in your facility (not yourself)?

(Respondents could choose multiple responses.)

Vaccine Received by IPs

- **85%** have received the COVID-19 vaccine
- **2%** have an appointment to take it soon
- **5%** say they will get the vaccine at a later time
- 8% have not received it

(n = 1,497 who were offered vaccine)

Speed-to-market/hasn't been studied enough

72%

Risk of serious adverse reactions

60%

Uses a new/unproven technology

50%

Benefit of vaccine, since masking will still be required

31%

Lack of concern about getting ill from COVID-19





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