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Justin Sanetra is “waiting to see how things develop” before he gets a [COVID-19 vaccine](#). His reasons are varied and include his allergies, which are many. He worries about the side effects, too. “When I got the flu shot before, it kind of wrecked me,” he said, adding that most people he knows got sick after their shots. He wonders if it’s even necessary: “I had to deal with people that got [COVID](#) and got pretty sick and I was around them a lot and I didn’t end up getting it, so I don’t know if it’s something that I might need.” This is where an epidemiologist may want to interject: The virus has skipped Sanetra for now, but his good fortune might not last forever. There’s only one way he can protect himself from serious illness or even death, and it’s the vaccine he’s reluctant to get.

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