

COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Information



Who should receive a booster shot?

People 65 years or older.

People 50-64 years old with underlying medical conditions.

Who may receive a booster shot?

People 18-49 years old with underlying medical conditions based on individual risk and benefit.

People 18-64 years old who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission because of occupational or institutional setting.

Please consult with your primary health care provider if you have questions about receiving a booster shot.

Which vaccines were approved for boosters?

Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, and Janssen (J&J) were approved.

The FDA also authorized "mix and match" vaccines; you may get a booster of a different vaccine than what you initially received.

When can I get my booster?

Booster doses are available now. Boosters will be given to individuals who received their second dose of Pfizer or Moderna at least 6 months ago or a single dose of Janssen (J&J) at least 2 months ago.

Where can I get my booster?

Primary care providers*
(Check with your provider)

Local pharmacies

What is a booster shot?

A "booster dose" is given to someone who built enough protection after vaccination, but then that protection decreased over time (this is called waning immunity).

Why do I need a booster?

While the vaccines are extremely effective, the COVID-19 virus constantly evolves. Experts are looking at all available data to understand how well the vaccines are working, including how new variants, like Delta, affect vaccine effectiveness.