

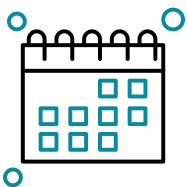
COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTER DOSE

Who is eligible for a booster dose?



- Everyone who is **16 or 17 years old** can get a **Pfizer** booster dose at least **six months** after completing their primary Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine series.
- Everyone **18 years or older** should get a booster dose **of their choice**:
 - At least **two months** after their **Johnson & Johnson** COVID-19 vaccine, or
 - At least **six months** after their primary **Pfizer** or **Moderna** vaccine series.

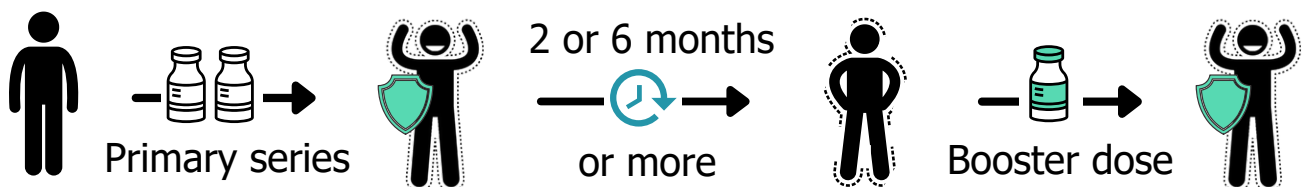
Not eligible yet? Don't worry, **COVID-19 vaccines offer strong protection after the primary series.** Even with more infectious variants, and vaccines decreasing in effectiveness over time, fully vaccinated people are much less likely to get sick or spread the disease than unvaccinated people.



You are still considered fully vaccinated two weeks after your last dose of a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine (such as Johnson & Johnson) or two-dose series (such as Pfizer or Moderna).





Why do some people need a booster dose?

Similar to immunity from other vaccines and after COVID-19 infection, immunity is waning over time for some people who were initially well-protected by the COVID-19 vaccine. Data shows a booster dose may strengthen and extend protection against infection, serious illness, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19.



What is the difference between a booster dose and an additional dose?

They all use the same vaccine ingredients, but the titles are different so people know who needs a booster dose or an additional dose, why, and when.

	Booster dose	Additional dose
WHO 	For everyone 16 years and older .	For people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised .
WHY 	To boost the immune system after the strong, initial protection may have decreased over time .	To protect people who may not have built strong immunity after the first two doses.
WHEN 	Eligibility begins 2 months after Johnson & Johnson or 6 months after last dose of Pfizer or Moderna.	Eligibility begins 28 days after the second dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine.
WHAT 	Eligible for full doses of Pfizer or Johnson & Johnson vaccines or a half dose of Moderna vaccine.	Eligible for full doses of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine only.

People who got an additional mRNA dose, may get a booster dose six months later.

Get a booster dose wherever you get COVID-19 vaccines.

Search [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov), call 211, or text your ZIP code to 438829 to find locations nearby.

Booster help many people get better protection against COVID-19. But people who are **unvaccinated are still the most vulnerable to COVID-19**. Helping people get their primary vaccine series is the most important effort to end the pandemic.

Learn more about booster doses at dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-dose.htm