

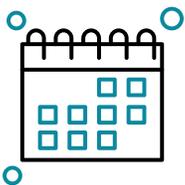
# COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTER DOSE

## 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.

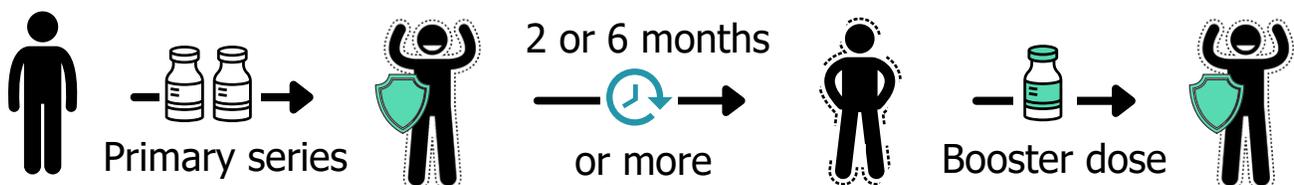
**Not eligible yet?** Don't worry, **COVID-19 vaccines offer strong protection after the primary series.** Even with more infectious variants, and vaccines decreasing in effectiveness over time, fully vaccinated people are much less likely to get sick or spread the disease than unvaccinated people.



**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
<b>WHO</b> 	For everyone <b>16 years and older</b> .	For people who are <b>moderately to severely immunocompromised</b> .
<b>WHY</b> 	To boost the immune system after the strong, initial protection may have <b>decreased over time</b> .	To protect people who <b>may not have built strong immunity</b> after the first two doses.
<b>WHEN</b> 	Eligibility begins <b>2 months</b> after Johnson & Johnson or <b>6 months</b> after last dose of Pfizer or Moderna.	Eligibility begins <b>28 days</b> after the second dose of Pfizer or Moderna vaccine.
<b>WHAT</b> 	Eligible for full doses of <b>Pfizer</b> or <b>Johnson &amp; Johnson</b> vaccines or a <b>half dose of Moderna</b> vaccine.	Eligible for full doses of <b>Pfizer</b> or <b>Moderna</b> 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](https://dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-dose.htm)