

# COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTERS

## What You Need to Know

**It is recommended that everyone 5 years and older who has been vaccinated against COVID-19 get a booster to improve protection from the COVID-19 virus. A second booster is recommended for those 50+ and immunocompromised individuals.**

*This is the most recent guidance from the CDC. (May 2022)*

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> COVID-19 BOOSTER?

**You are eligible for a vaccine booster if your primary vaccine was:**

- Pfizer-BioNTech Comirnaty, and you completed the 2-dose series at least 5 months ago.
- Moderna-Spikevax, and you completed the 2-dose series at least 5 months ago.
- Johnson & Johnson (Janssen), and you got your vaccine at least 2 months ago.

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> COVID-19 BOOSTER?

- People aged 50+ who got first booster at least 4 months ago.
- People whose initial vaccine and 1st booster were Johnson & Johnson (Janssen) and they were boosted at least 4 month ago.
- People 12+ with immunocompromised conditions who got first booster at least 4 months ago (this will be their 5th dose of an mRNA vaccine).

### WHICH BOOSTER SHOULD YOU GET?

- You can choose which booster shot to get regardless of which initial vaccine you received, although an mRNA Pfizer-BioNTech Comirnaty or Moderna-Spikevax booster are recommended in most situations.
- Children 5-17 are currently only eligible to receive the Pfizer-BioNTech Comirnaty COVID-19 booster.

### WHAT IS A BOOSTER SHOT?

- For some viruses, the protection we get from a vaccine starts to wear off over time. An additional dose of the vaccine may be needed to boost your immune response and make sure you're protected.
- Boosters are common for many vaccines, like Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis).

### CAN YOU GET A COVID-19 BOOSTER AND FLU SHOT AT THE SAME TIME?

- Yes. If you're eligible for your COVID-19 booster, you can get your flu shot on the same day.
- Those too young for a COVID-19 booster vaccine should get their annual flu vaccine as soon as possible.

### WHERE CAN YOU GET A COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTER?

- You can get your booster anywhere COVID-19 vaccines are being offered. You may need to show your vaccine card to verify your eligibility based on when you completed your primary vaccination.
- If you do not have your vaccine card, you can request one from your previous vaccinator or request your vaccination record through [izrecord.nv.gov](https://izrecord.nv.gov).



**For information and vaccine locations:**  
[nvcovidfighter.org](https://nvcovidfighter.org) 1.800.401.0946