

Vaccine Updates

3/2/22

COVID-19 Vaccines: General population

TABLE 2. COVID-19 vaccination schedule for the primary series in the general population*

Primary series vaccine manufacturer	Age group	Number of doses in primary series	Number of booster doses	Interval between 1st and 2nd dose	Interval between primary series and booster dose
Pfizer-BioNTech	5–11 years	2	NA	3 weeks	NA
Pfizer-BioNTech	≥12 years	2	1	3–8 weeks [†]	≥5 months
Moderna	≥18 years	2	1	4–8 weeks [†]	≥5 months
Janssen	≥18 years	1	1	NA	≥2 months

Vaccine	0 month	1 month	2 month	3 month	4 month	5 month	6 month	7 month
Pfizer-BioNTech (ages 5–11 years)	1 st dose	2 nd dose (3 weeks after 1 st dose)						
Pfizer-BioNTech (ages 12 years and older)	1 st dose	2 nd dose [†] (3–8 weeks after 1 st dose)					Booster dose [‡] (at least 5 months after 2 nd dose)	
Moderna (ages 18 years and older)	1 st dose	2 nd dose [†] (4–8 weeks after 1 st dose)					Booster dose [‡] (at least 5 months after 2 nd dose)	
Janssen (ages 18 years and older)	1 st dose		Booster dose [‡] (at least 2 months after 1 st dose)					

COVID-19 Vaccines: Immunocompromised

Table 3: COVID-19 vaccination schedule for people with moderate or severe immunocompromise*

Primary vaccination	Age group	Number of primary vaccine doses	Number of booster doses	Interval between 1st and 2nd dose	Interval between 2nd and 3rd dose	Interval between 3rd and 4th dose
Pfizer-BioNTech	5-11 years	3	NA	3 weeks	≥4 weeks	N/A
Pfizer-BioNTech	≥12 years	3	1	3 weeks	≥4 weeks	≥3 months
Moderna	≥18 years	3	1	4 weeks	≥4 weeks	≥3 months
Janssen	≥18 years	1 Janssen, followed by 1 mRNA	1	4 weeks	≥2 months	N/A

Vaccine	0 month	1 month	2 month	3 month	4 month	5 month
Pfizer-BioNTech (ages 5–11 years)	1 st dose	2 nd dose (3 weeks after 1 st dose)	3 rd dose (at least 4 weeks after 2 nd dose)			
Pfizer-BioNTech (ages 12 years and older)	1 st dose	2 nd dose (3 weeks after 1 st dose)	3 rd dose (at least 4 weeks after 2 nd dose)			Booster dose* (at least 3 months after 3 rd dose)
Moderna (ages 18 years and older)	1 st dose	2 nd dose (4 weeks after 1 st dose)	3 rd dose (at least 4 weeks after 2 nd dose)			Booster dose* (at least 3 months after 3 rd dose)
Janssen (ages 18 years and older)	1 st dose	2 nd (additional) dose ¹ using an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine (at least 4 weeks after 1 st dose)		Booster dose* (at least 2 months after additional dose)		



Job Aid: COVID-19 Vaccine Timing by Age

- 1-page COVID-19 vaccine guidance schedule
- Breaks down the schedule by age and vaccine type

COVID-19 Vaccine Timing by Age		
Age	Vaccine	Routine Schedule
5-11	Pfizer-Pediatric (5-11)	1st Dose → 3 weeks → 2nd Dose
12+	Pfizer/Comirnaty (12+)	1st Dose → 3-8 weeks* → 2nd Dose → ≥5 months → Booster 12-17: Pfizer 18+: Pfizer/Moderna (preferred) or J&J*
18+	Moderna/Spikevax	1st Dose → 4-8 weeks* → 2nd Dose → ≥5 months → Booster of Moderna/Pfizer (preferred) or J&J*
18+	Johnson & Johnson Pfizer/Moderna preferred*	1st Dose → ≥2 months → Booster of Moderna/Pfizer (preferred) or J&J*

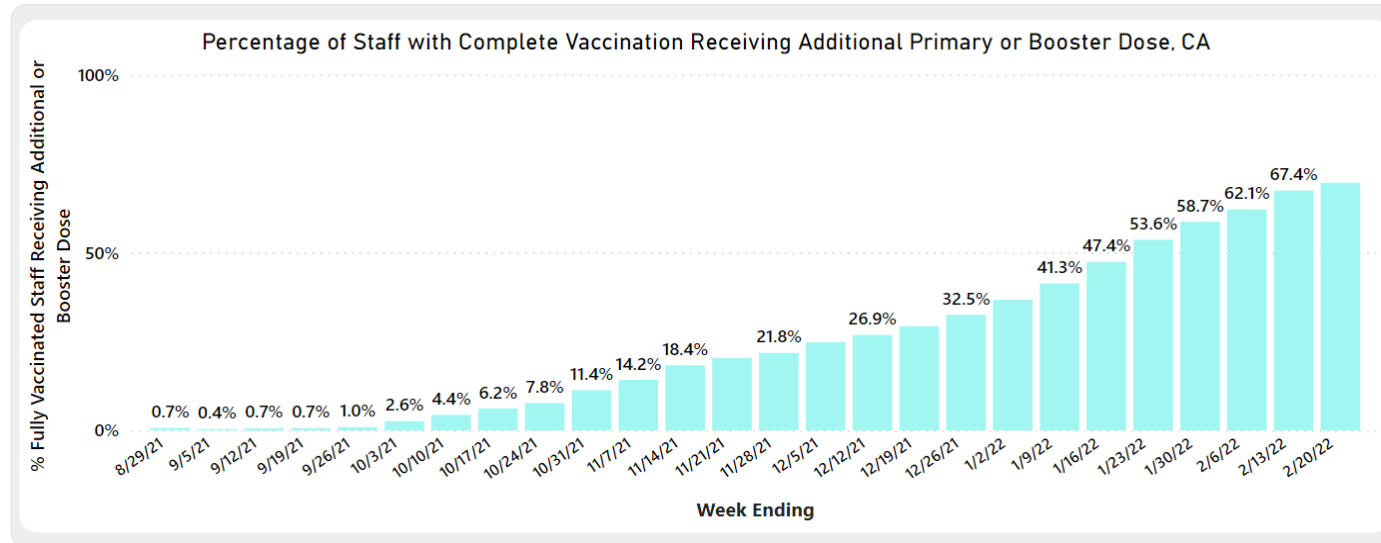
Schedule if Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised		
Age	Vaccine	Schedule
5-11	Pfizer-Pediatric (5-11)	1st Dose → 3 weeks → 2nd Dose → ≥4 weeks → 3rd Dose
12+	Pfizer (12+)	1st Dose → 3 weeks → 2nd Dose → ≥4 weeks → 3rd Dose → ≥3 months → Booster 12-17: Pfizer 18+: Pfizer/Moderna (preferred) or J&J*
18+	Moderna/Spikevax	1st Dose → 4 weeks → 2nd Dose → ≥4 weeks → 3rd Dose → ≥3 months → Booster of Moderna/Pfizer (preferred) or J&J*
18+	Johnson & Johnson Moderna/Pfizer preferred*	1st Dose → 4 weeks → 2nd Dose of Pfizer or Moderna → ≥2 months → Booster of Moderna/Pfizer (preferred) or J&J*

^ An 8-week interval may be preferable for some people, especially for males 12-39 years.
 * Although use of mRNA COVID-19 vaccines is preferred, the Janssen vaccine may be offered in some situations.
 View [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines](#) and [COVID-19 Vaccines for Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised People](#) for details. Schedule is subject to change.

California COVID-19 Vaccination Program IMM-1396 (2/25/22)

NHSN: CA SNF booster vaccinations

- 75.9% of SNF residents boosted (fully vaccinated with primary series who have received additional or booster dose as of 2/21/22)
- 69.7% of SNF staff boosted



Everyone in Long-term Care Facilities Needs Protection Against Flu and COVID-19!

Flu and COVID-19 can be life-threatening

- Patients and staff depend on each other to prevent severe illness, hospitalization, and death due to flu and COVID-19

Protect Yourself and Those Around You

- Complete a COVID-19 vaccine series and get a COVID-19 booster
- Get a yearly flu shot
- COVID-19 and flu vaccines can be given on the same day

Get your flu and COVID-19 vaccines at:

IMM-1413 (12/21)



IN THESE TIMES, EVERYONE COULD USE A BOOST



BOOST YOUR PHYSICAL HEALTH



BOOST YOUR SOCIAL HEALTH



BOOST YOUR PROTECTION AGAINST COVID-19 NOW

COVID-19 vaccines work very well at preventing severe illness, hospitalization, and death. A booster shot is an extra dose that helps maximize your protection against COVID-19.

Everyone aged 12 years and older can get a booster after getting the COVID-19 vaccine series. You may receive any COVID-19 vaccine for your booster dose, but the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines are preferred. COVID-19 vaccines and boosters are safe, effective, and free.

DON'T WAIT, VACCINATE!

Three ways to find free vaccines near you

- ✓ Visit [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) to find a walk-up site.
- ✓ Book an appointment on [My Turn \(myturn.ca.gov\)](https://myturn.ca.gov) or call (833) 422-4255.
- ✓ Check with your doctor, nurse or local pharmacy.

BOOST YOUR HEALTH.

GET YOUR COVID-19 VACCINE BOOSTER TODAY.

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CA Resources for Providers

- California COVID-19 Vaccination Program <https://eziz.org/covid/>
 - Tools to Avoid Vaccine Mix-Ups
 - Provider Enrollment
 - Vaccine Administration
 - [Long-Term Care Facility Resources](#)
 - [Crucial COVID-19 Conversations Toolkit](#)
 - Resources
 - [Everyone in Long-term Care Facilities Needs Protection against Flu and COVID-19 poster \(CDPH\)](#)
 - [In These Times, Everyone Could Use A Boost poster \(CDPH\)](#)

CDC and HHS Resources

- [CDC Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- [CDC COVID-19 Vaccines for Long-term Care Residents](#)

COVID-19 Vaccine Communication Resources:

- [Building Confidence in COVID-19 Vaccines \(CDC\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Factsheet \(CDC\)](#)
- [COVID-19 Video Resources \(CDC\)](#)
- [Communicating With a General Audience About COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters \(HHS\)](#)