

FDA meeting on Booster Doses of COVID-19 Vaccine

- FDA Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBAC) meeting 9/17/21:
- Committee voted to recommend that FDA authorize under EUA a booster dose of Comirnaty (Pfizer-BioNTech) at least 6-months after primary series in:
 - People \geq 65 years old
 - People at risk for severe COVID-19
 - Discussion of occupational risk but no formal vote
- [VRBAC Committee September 17, 2021 Meeting Announcement - 09/17/2021 - 09/17/2021 | FDA](#)

Next Steps on Booster Dose Recommendations of COVID-19 Vaccine

- [Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices \(ACIP\) | CDC](#)
 - September 22, 7 AM – 1:30 PM PST (10 AM – 4:30 PM EST) and September 23, 9 AM – 12:30 PM PST (12 PM – 3:30 PM EST)
 - [Draft Meeting ACIP Agenda-September 22-23, 2021 \(cdc.gov\)](#)
 - Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup
 - Thursday, September 23, 4 PM, or September 24, 7:30 AM
- > Recommendations likely will come after these meetings**

Surveying LTC Facility COVID-19 Vaccination Needs: for primary series and possible booster doses

- Skilled nursing facilities (SNFs)
 - ✓NHSN surveys: most SNFs already connected to COVID-19 vaccine
- Adult & residential care facilities (ARFs)
 - Department of Social Services (DSS) surveys:
 - **Many facilities did not respond to DSS survey**
 - **Ongoing outreach from CDPH, DSS, and LHDs to facilities**

CDPH: Working on toolkit of resources for LTCF Vaccination

- Primary care providers and clinics
- Pharmacies
 - Retail pharmacy stores for mobile patients
 - Request pharmacies to conduct on-site clinics: many have minimum dose requirements
- LHDs: LTCF vaccination resources at LHD level
- CDPH: State resources to assist LTCF vaccination
- CDC: Webpage available to link with pharmacies

CDC: COVID-19 Vaccine Access in Long-term Care Settings

www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/long-term-care/pharmacy-partnerships.html



The U.S. Food & Drug Administration has not yet authorized COVID-19 vaccine booster doses, and CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has not yet made a recommendation on booster doses for people living and working in LTC settings. CDC will update this webpage when new information is available.

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The federal government is committed to ensuring that residents and staff in long-term care (LTC) settings, such as nursing homes, assisted living, residential care communities, group homes and senior housing have access to COVID-19 vaccines to receive primary series and booster doses (if approved by the US Food and Drug Administration [FDA] and recommended by CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices [ACIP]).



[Information About COVID-19 Vaccines for LTC Residents and Family Members](#)

The goal is to continue to protect those who are disproportionately affected by COVID-19—especially residents of LTC settings. All LTC settings that request assistance in accessing COVID-19 vaccines for their residents and staff will receive the support they need.

CDC: Info for LTCF administrators

Long-term Care Administrators and Managers: Options for Coordinating Access to COVID-19 Vaccines

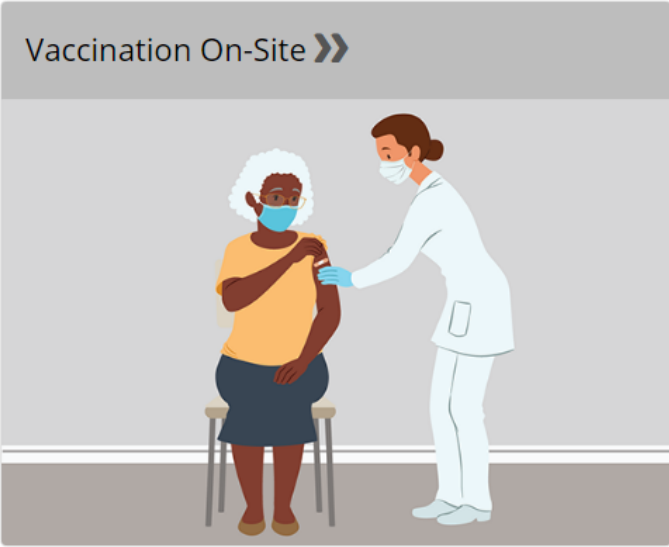
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Long-term care (LTC) providers in settings such as nursing homes, assisted living, residential care communities, group homes, and senior housing are encouraged to consider the option that works best for their residents and staff when coordinating access to COVID-19 vaccines — for both the COVID-19 primary series and booster doses.

On this page, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides information and resources to help you when coordinating access to COVID-19 vaccines on-site or in the local community.



How your facility can prepare for possible booster doses

- Please respond to surveys from DSS, CDPH, or LHDs asking about your COVID19 vaccination needs
- Please go to the CDC website to learn more about vaccine options for your clients www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/long-term-care/pharmacy-partnerships/administrators-managers.html
- People with moderate to severe immunocompromise are already recommended to receive a 3rd dose of COVID19 vaccine. They should contact their medical team.