

On March 29th, the [FDA authorized a second booster dose](#) of either COVID-19 mRNA vaccine for certain individuals at least 4 months after their first booster and updated the Pfizer and Moderna EUAs to reflect this. Following the FDA's announcement, the [CDC issued a statement recommending additional booster doses for certain individuals](#) and updated their recommendations. IDPH has adopted the CDC's recommendations which include:

- An additional single booster dose of either the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine will be available for individuals ages 50 and older at least four months after the first booster dose.
- An additional booster dose of the Pfizer vaccine will be available for immunocompromised individuals ages 12 and older at least four months after the first booster dose.
- Adults who received the Johnson & Johnson primary vaccine may receive a second booster dose of an mRNA vaccine at least four months after their first booster dose.

CDC Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky states, “Boosters are safe, and people over the age of 50 can now get an additional booster 4 months after their prior dose to increase their protection further. This is especially important for those 65 and older and those 50 and older with underlying medical conditions that increase their risk for severe disease from COVID-19 as they are the most likely to benefit from receiving an additional booster dose at this time.”

Additional information on COVID-19 Vaccine and Recommendations in the United States can be found here:

- Find COVID-19 Vaccine near you at <https://www.vaccines.gov/>
- [CDC: Stay Up to Date with Your COVID-19 Vaccines](#)
- [CDC: COVID-19 Vaccines for Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised People](#)
- [CDC: Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines Currently Approved or Authorized in the United States](#)