

Dept. of Health Services: Supports second COVID-19 vaccine booster dose for adults 50 years and older and certain immunocompromised individuals

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The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) supports the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) authorization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) issuing of expanded eligibility that adults ages 50 years and older may receive a second booster dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech (Pfizer) or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine. DHS also supports the option of a second booster dose for certain immunocompromised people ages 12 years and older.

"The option of a second booster dose of the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine for adults 50 years and older provides an excellent opportunity for eligible Wisconsinites to get additional protection against COVID-19," said DHS Deputy Secretary Deb Standridge. "Expanded eligibility requirements allow more immunocompromised Wisconsin residents the opportunity to get vaccinated and stay protected against COVID-19. We support the option of everyone ages 50 and older, and immunocompromised individuals getting a second booster dose at least four months after their first booster dose to help prevent the worst outcomes from the virus."

The CDC also expanded eligibility for another booster dose to people ages 18-49 years who are not moderately or severely immunocompromised and who received Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccine as both their primary series dose and booster dose. These individuals may now receive a second booster dose using an mRNA



COVID-19 vaccine.

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