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# News Release

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## **COVID-19 Second Boosters Authorized for Older and Immunocompromised Individuals**

**FREDERICK, MD --** Following the latest action from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), a second COVID-19 booster shot for is authorized for people 50 years and older and certain immunocompromised individuals. 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.

- Individuals 50 years of age and older can receive a second booster dose of Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine at least 4 months after receipt of a first booster dose.
- A second booster dose of Pfizer COVID-19 Vaccine is available for individuals 12 years and older with certain kinds of immunocompromise at least 4 months after receipt of a first booster dose of any authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine. These are people who have undergone solid organ transplantation, or who are living with conditions that are considered to have an equivalent level of immunocompromise.
- A second booster dose of the Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is available for individuals 18 years and older with the same certain kinds of immunocompromise at least 4 months after the first booster dose.
- A second booster dose of the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine is available for individuals 18 years and older who received a primary vaccine and booster dose of Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine at least 4 months ago.

Frederick County Health Department vaccination clinics will begin offering **second** boosters to **those who are eligible on Wednesday, March 30, 2022**. Upcoming health department vaccination clinics are posted on [our website](#). Boosters are available at all vaccination clinics.

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Scheduling an appointment is the best way to guarantee a vaccination.

Additional COVID-19 vaccination clinics can be found at [vaccines.gov](https://www.vaccines.gov) or [marylandvax.org](https://marylandvax.org) for pharmacies and other locations. For help scheduling an appointment, call 855-MDGoVax or 855-634-6829 between 8am and 8pm, seven days a week.

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