

COVID-19 Third Dose & Booster Shots

	Pfizer & Moderna 3rd Dose	Pfizer & Moderna Booster Shot	Johnson & Johnson Booster Shot
Who is eligible?	Pfizer and Moderna recipients 12 years and older and who are moderately to severely immunocompromised	Pfizer and Moderna recipients who are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 65 years+ • 18+ and live in long-term care settings • 18+ with underlying medical conditions • 18+ and work or live in high-risk settings (health care, schools, correctional facilities, shelters) 	All Johnson & Johnson recipients, ages 18+
What is it?	Additional dose for people who did not have a strong enough response to the first two vaccine doses	Additional dose for people whose protection may have decreased over time	Additional dose to increase the protection provided by the vaccine
Why get it?	For immunocompromised people who may not respond as well to the vaccines, a 3rd dose can improve the immune response	The vaccines protect very well against severe illness, but protection may decrease after about 6 months. A booster shot can provide extra protection	The Johnson & Johnson vaccine provides less protection against severe illness than the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines do. Getting a booster shot increases the immunity built up after an initial dose
When to get it?	At least 28 days after your 2nd dose	6 months or more after second shot	6 months or more after second shot
Which vaccine to get?	The same brand as your first two doses, if possible (Pfizer or Moderna)	Pfizer, Moderna, or Johnson & Johnson (It's ok to "mix and match")	
What to do or bring?	Proof of age and attest that you have a qualifying medical condition	Proof of age and, if under age 65, attest that you have a qualifying medical condition or are at increased risk of exposure	Proof of age
What are possible side effects?	Arm soreness, headache, body aches, tiredness, and fever		
	You do not need to provide proof of immigration status, insurance, or a social security number to get vaccinated.		

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