

COVID-19 Vaccine

Interim COVID-19 Immunization Schedule for Persons 6 Months of Age and Older



Table 2. Immunization Schedule for Persons 18 Years of Age

Туре	Recipient Age	Product*	For Most People		Those Who ARE Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised	
			Doses	Interval Between Doses†	Doses	Interval Between Doses
mRNA vaccine	18 years and older	MONOVALENT Moderna Red vial cap with a blue-bordered label	Primary series: Monovalent			
			Dose 1 to 2	At least 4–8 weeks [‡]	Dose 1 to 2	At least 4 weeks
					Dose 2 to 3	At least 4 weeks
		BIVALENT Moderna Blue cap with gray-bordered label	Booster dose: Bivalent			
			Dose 2 to 3	At least 8 weeks (2 months)	Dose 3 to 4	At least 8 weeks (2 months)
	18 years and older	MONOVALENT Pfizer-BioNTech Gray vial cap with gray-bordered label	Primary series: Monovalent			
			Dose 1 to 2	At least 3-8 weeks [‡]	Dose 1 to 2	At least 3 weeks
					Dose 2 to 3	At least 4 weeks
		BIVALENT Pfizer-BioNTech: Gray vial cap with gray-bordered label	Booster dose: Bivalent			
			Dose 2 to 3	At least 8 weeks (2 months)	Dose 3 to 4	At least 8 weeks (2 months)
Protein subunit vaccine	18 years and older	MONOVALENT Novavax	Primary series: Monovalent			
			Dose 1 to 2	At least 3–8 weeks [‡]	Dose 1 to 2	At least 3 weeks
		Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech bivalent COVID-19 vaccine should be used for the booster dose.	Booster dose: Bivalent			
			Dose 2 to 3	At least 8 weeks (2 months)	Dose 2 to 3	At least 8 weeks (2 months)
Adenovius vector vaccine	18 years and older	MONOVALENT Janssen	Janssen COVID-19 vaccine is authorized for use in certain limited situations due to safety considerations. §			
		Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech bivalent COVID-19 vaccine should be used for the booster dose.	Booster dose: Bivalent			
			Administer a single booster dose at least 8 weeks (2 months) after the previous dose.			

^{*} Complete the primary series with same product. If the vaccine product previously administered cannot be determined, is no longer available or contraindicated, any age-appropriate monovalent COVID-19 vaccine may be administered at least 28 days after the first dose to complete the primary series. Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech bivalent COVID-19 vaccine can be administered for the booster dose, regardless of the primary series product.

CDC Resources

CDC COVID-19 vaccine clinical training and materials

CDC Interim Clinical Considerations for the Use of COVID-19 Vaccines Currently Approved or Authorized in the United States

CDC Vaccine administration clinical materials

CDC Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit

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[†] Persons with a recent SARS-CoV-2 infection may consider delaying a primary series or booster dose by 3 months from symptom onset or positive test (if infection was asymptomatic).

[‡] Some studies in adolescents and adults have shown the small risk of myocarditis associated with mRNA or Novavax COVID-19 Vaccines might be reduced and peak antibody responses and vaccine effectiveness may be increased with an interval longer than 3 or 4 weeks. An 8-week interval may be optimal for people who are ages 6 months–64 years, especially for males ages 12–39 years, and are not moderately or severely immunocompromised.

[§] For guidance on retrospective record review, scheduling and administration see Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines: Appendix A