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COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shots Approved by CDC; What to Know

On Thursday, October 21, 2021, the CDC announced Expanded Eligibility for COVID-19 Booster Shots.

All three COVID-19 vaccines are now approved for booster shots for eligible populations:

Pfizer (approved previously) and Moderna

For individuals who have received the Pfizer or Moderna vaccine as their primary vaccine series, the following groups are eligible for a booster shot at <u>6 months or more</u> after the second dose of their initial series:

- 65 years and older
- Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions
- Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings

Johnson & Johnson

For individuals age 18+ that received the Johnson and Johnson vaccine, booster shots are recommended for those that were vaccinated two or more months ago.

Booster doses may be mixed and matched:

The FDA and CDC have also approved mixing and matching of vaccines. You may receive a booster dose with any of the 3 approved COVID vaccines.

Where to find a COVID-19 vaccinator:

Local health care providers, pharmacies, health departments, and others are offering COVID-19 vaccines. You can find a vaccine provider near you at <u>vaccine.gov</u>.

Waupaca County Public Health provides a walk-in clinic <u>every Wednesday from 9:00 – 3:00</u> at the Waupaca County Courthouse. Waupaca County Public Health supplies all 3 vaccine brands and will provide booster doses. The COVID-19 vaccine is <u>free</u>.

Resources and additional information can be found at the following websites:

- CDC https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/keythingstoknow.html?s_cid=10493:covid%2019%20vaccination:sem.ga:p:RG:GM:gen:PTN:FY21
- WI DHS https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/covid-19/vaccine-dose.htm
- Waupaca County Public Health https://www.waupacacounty-wi.gov/departments/health-and-human-services/vaccine-information.php

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