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CDC Recommends the Updated COVID-19 Booster (Omicron/Bivalent booster) September 1, 2022

CDC now recommends that all persons ages 12 years and older receive an updated (also called “bivalent”) booster to improve protection against serious COVID-19 disease. The updated COVID-19 boosters were formulated to better protect against the COVID-19 Omicron BA.4/BA.5 strains, in addition to the original COVID-19 strain. CDC anticipates that most people will need a once-yearly booster based on changes in COVID-19 strains.

Who should get an updated booster?

- Everyone 12 years and older who has completed the primary COVID-19 vaccine series should get the updated booster. This includes persons who have already received a prior booster.

When should I get an updated booster?

- Persons must complete their primary COVID-19 vaccine series and then wait at least 2 months after their most recent dose of any COVID-19 vaccine before getting an updated booster. You can get your updated booster at the same time as other vaccines, including flu vaccine.

What updated booster products are available?

- The updated Pfizer booster is authorized for children ages 12-17 years and adults ages 18 years and older.
- The updated Moderna booster is authorized for adults ages 18 years and older.

Do young children need COVID-19 vaccine boosters?

- Children ages 6 months-4 years should receive the COVID-19 primary series.
- Children ages 5-11 years continue to be eligible for the original booster.
- CDC will provide information about updated boosters for children in the near future.

Where can I get my updated COVID-19 boosters?

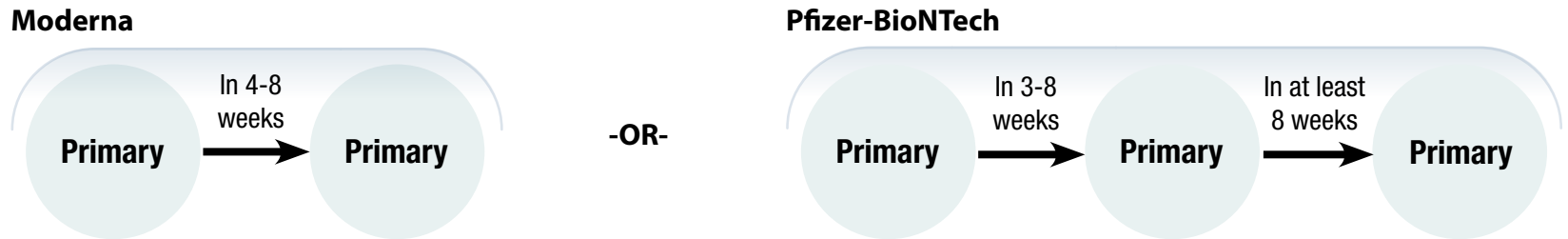
- TONHC will offer the updated booster COVID-19 vaccines at TONHC clinics and community events beginning in late September 2022. We will announce locations, dates and times. Be sure to bring your COVID-19 vaccination card(s) with you.
- You can also check www.vaccines.gov for pharmacies and other vaccination sites that offer COVID-19 vaccines.
- Use the CDC’s website tool to: [“Find Out When to Get a Booster”](#).

Stay up-to-date with your COVID-19 and other vaccinations. Vaccinations help to protect you, your loved ones, and your community.

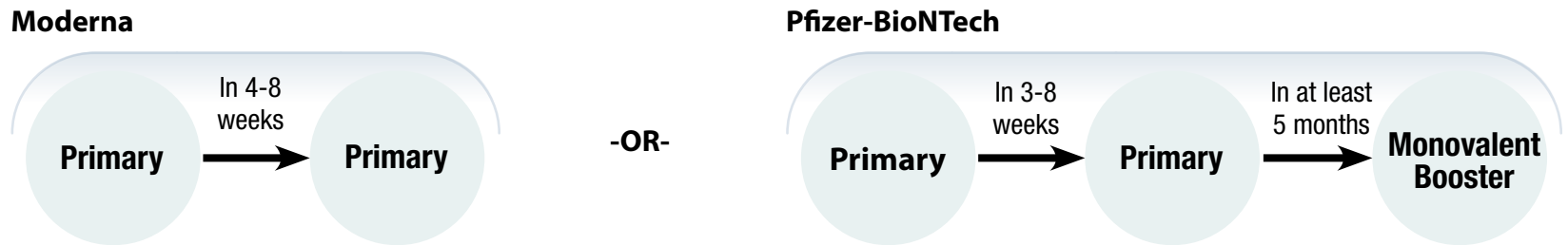
COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule for Most People (People who are NOT Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised)



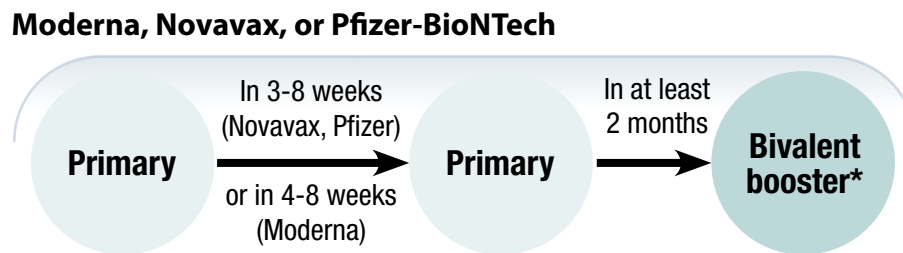
People ages 6 months through 4 years



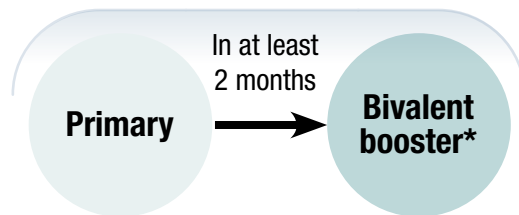
People ages 5 through 11 years



People ages 12 years and older



People ages 18 years and older who previously received Janssen primary series dose†



For more specific clinical guidance, see:

- [Pre-exposure prophylaxis](#)
- [Interim COVID-19 Immunization Schedule](#)
- [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines Currently Approved or Authorized in the United States](#)

Note: This schedule does not include clinical details necessary for administering COVID-19 vaccines. For clinical details, see the resources at the end of this document.

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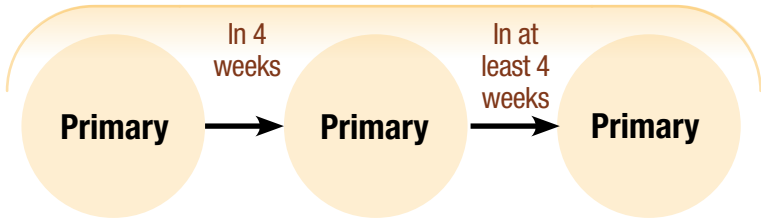
† Janssen COVID-19 Vaccine should only be used in certain limited situations. See: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/interim-considerations-us-appendix.html#appendix-a>

COVID-19 Vaccination Schedule for People Who Are Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised



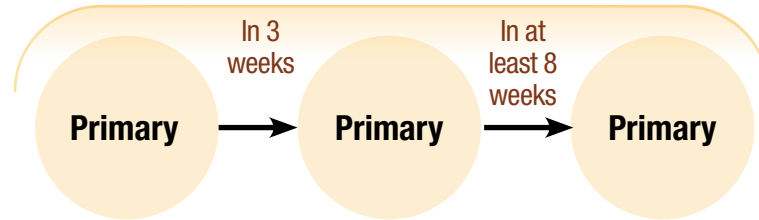
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Moderna



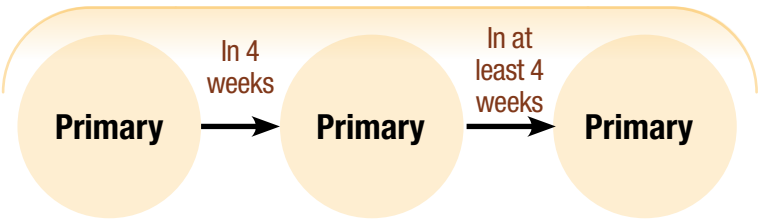
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Pfizer-BioNTech



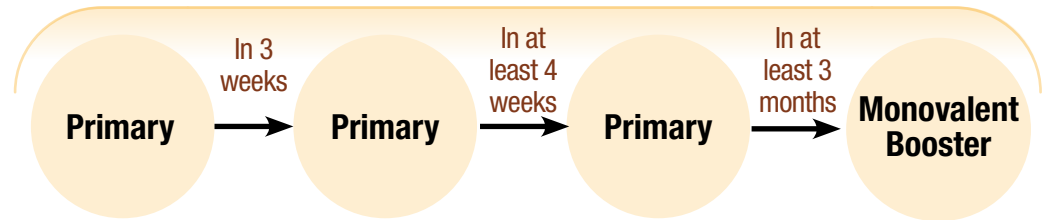
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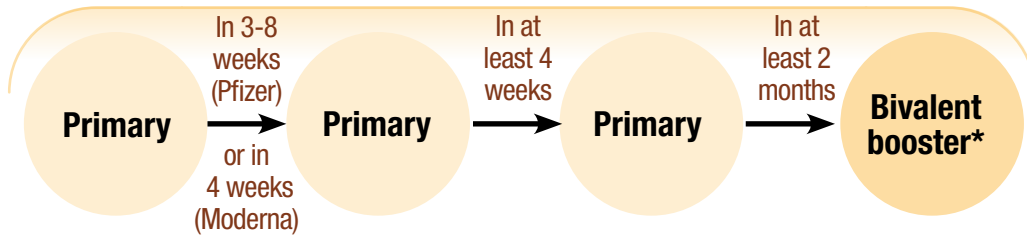
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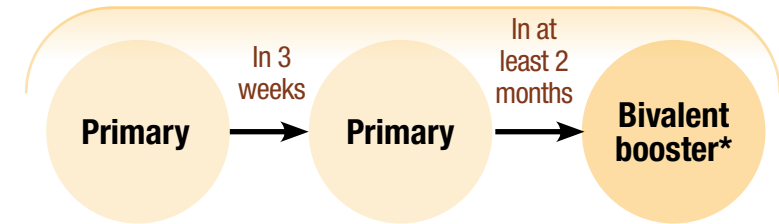


People ages 12 years and older

Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech

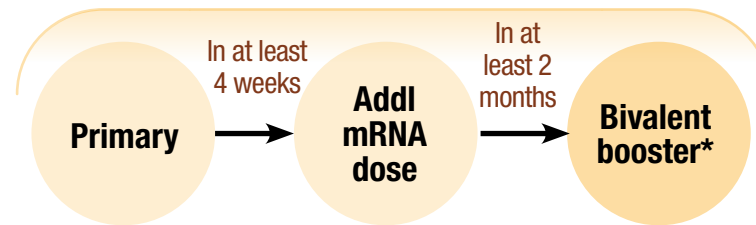


Novavax



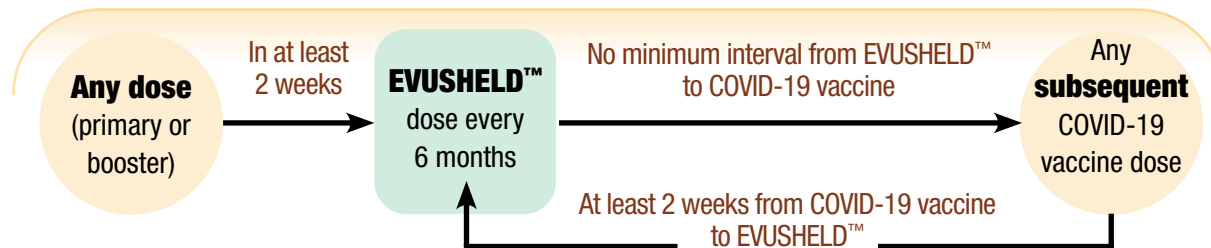
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Monoclonal antibodies (EVUSHELD™) for COVID-19 pre-exposure prophylaxis

People ages 12 years and older (must weigh at least 40kg)



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