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COVID-19 Update: Second Booster Doses for Eligible Groups

As of March 30, 2022, second booster doses of Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines have received Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) by the <u>U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA)</u>, and are recommended by the <u>Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)</u> and <u>Western States</u> <u>Scientific Safety Review Workgroup</u> to sustain certain patients' protection against COVID-19.

Eligibility

The following groups are eligible for a second booster **at least four months** after their initial booster dose:

- Ages 50+
- Ages 12+ with moderate to severe immune compromise, as defined by CDC: <u>cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-cov/vaccines/recommendations/immuno.html#mod</u>

Dosing

Dosing is the same as the initial booster doses.

For more detail on dosing COVID-19 vaccines, visit: <u>cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html#dosing-schedule</u>

Significance

<u>CDC data</u> shows two vaccine doses plus a booster provide strong protection against severe illness and death, though protection may wane over time, especially among older individuals. A second booster can strengthen waning protection for those who are most at risk.

Public Health Clinics

Second boosters will be available for eligible patients, free of charge, at Public Health clinics in Grover Beach, Paso Robles, and San Luis Obispo. Call 805-781-5500 to schedule appointments.

For More Information

- Interim Clinical Considerations COVID-19 Vaccine (CDC): <u>cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/clinical-considerations/covid-19-vaccines-us.html</u>
- SLO County COVID-19 Updates: <u>www.slopublichealth.org/Covid19</u>