

COVID-19 Vaccines

Why get the COVID-19 vaccine?

The vaccines have safely protected millions of people from getting very sick, hospitalized, or dying from COVID-19. The protection you gain from the vaccine is less risky than getting COVID.

COVID-19 Vaccines and Booster Shots

The Pfizer, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson Vaccines are all available in New Mexico. Each follows a unique timeline, so it is important to remember which type of vaccine you receive and when. A timeline for each vaccine can be found on the next page.

The Pfizer vaccine is available for adults and for children:

- Children ages 5-11 can get 2 doses, 3 weeks apart. No booster shot is recommended.
- Children ages 12-17 can get 2 doses, 3 weeks apart, and a booster dose 5 months later.
- Adults 18 and older can get 2 doses, 3 weeks apart, and a booster dose 5 months later.

The Moderna vaccine is available for adults:

- Adults 18 and older can get 2 doses, 4 weeks apart, and a booster dose 5 months later.

The Johnson and Johnson (J&J) vaccine is available for adults:

- Adults 18 and older can get 1 dose, a booster shot after 2 months, and a second booster shot 4 months later.

If you are immunocompromised, you might need extra doses.

People who should get an extra doses are people who have:

- A weakened immune system
- Have had an organ or stem cell transplant
- Have cancer
- Have severe HIV.

If you think you might be in this group, please talk with a medical provider. People in this group can get extra primary and booster doses. Vaccine timelines for people who are immunocompromised can be found on the next page.

If you are aged 50 years or older, you can choose to get a second booster.

Adults ages 50 and older, both immunocompromised and not immunocompromised, can choose to get a second booster shot 4 months after their first booster shot.

Mixing and matching booster shots.

Adults 18 and older can get any brand of vaccine as their booster shot. For the best protection, it is recommended to get either Pfizer or Moderna. Children cannot mix and match vaccines and must get Pfizer as their booster dose.

View a timeline for each vaccine on the next page.

Vaccine Brand & Age

Pfizer
(Ages 5-11)

General Vaccine Timeline

2 Primary doses



Immunocompromised Vaccine Timeline

3 Primary doses



Pfizer
(Ages 12 and older)

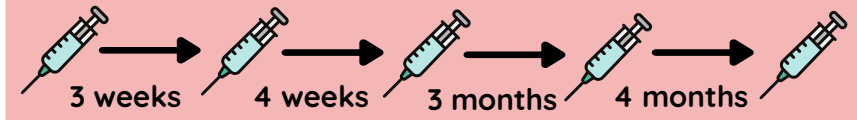
2 Primary doses

1 Booster



3 Primary doses

2 Boosters



Moderna
(Ages 18 and older)

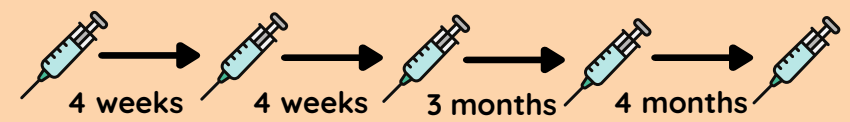
2 Primary doses

1 Booster



3 Primary doses

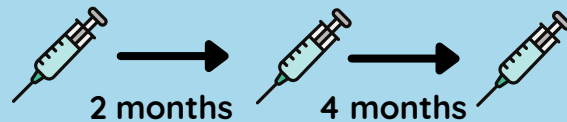
2 Boosters



Johnson & Johnson
(Ages 18 and older)

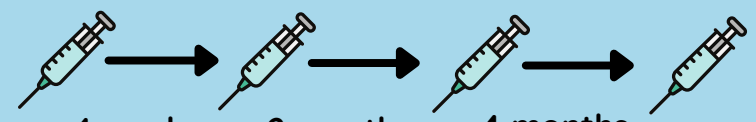
1 Primary dose

2 Boosters



2 Primary doses

2 Boosters



People ages 50 and older

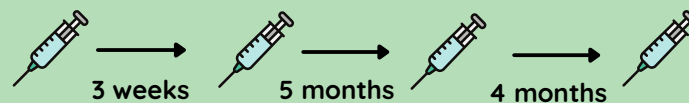
*Especially important for:

- People 65+
- People 50+ at high risk for severe COVID

Pfizer

2 Primary doses

2 Boosters



Moderna

2 Primary doses

2 Boosters



Johnson & Johnson

1 Primary dose

2 Boosters

