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PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFERING PFIZER COVID-19 BOOSTER SHOTS

Following federal and state approvals, Pfizer vaccine booster shots now available for residents at highest risk of severe illness, exposure, and spread to others

LARGO, MD – Based on [updated Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) guidance](#), the Prince George's County Health Department's COVID-19 vaccine [clinics](#) will offer booster shots of Pfizer to:

- people 65 or older
- people aged 18 to 64 years with [underlying medical conditions](#)
- people aged 18 to 64 who work or reside in certain settings (e.g., health care, schools, grocery workers, correctional facilities, homeless shelters) that increase their risk for COVID-19 exposure and transmission.

“If you are in one of those groups, it’s recommended you get the booster shot at least six months after receiving your second dose of Pfizer,” said Prince George’s County Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Health, Human Services, and Education Dr. George L. Askew. “Residents do not have to show proof at our clinics that they are eligible to receive a booster shot.”

Individuals with [weakened immune systems](#) are approved to receive a third dose of Moderna or Pfizer, but federal health officials have yet to approve booster shots for the general public who received the Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccines.

“Whether it’s a booster shot or a first shot, vaccination remains our best tool to protect ourselves and each other from COVID-19, which continues to show it has

staying power,” said Prince George’s County Health Officer Dr. Ernest Carter. “We must prepare for another possible increase in cases in the fall and winter, so it’s especially important to get vaccinated to stay safe and healthy.”

Visit mypgc.us/COVIDvaccine for more information about COVID-19 vaccinations, including locations and hours of operation for vaccine clinics operated by the County and other public and private organizations.

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