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Solano Public Health recommends new booster for COVID-19

SOLANO COUNTY — The Solano County Department of Health and Social Services, Public Health division, in accordance with state and national guidance, is recommending a single booster dose of a new COVID-19 vaccine (bivalent BA.4/BA.5) for people ages 12 years and older who have completed a primary COVID vaccine series. The new Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is approved for individuals ages 12 and older. The new Moderna vaccine is approved for individuals ages 18 years and older, including individuals who are moderately or severely immunocompromised.

The Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup unanimously concluded that a single booster dose of the new Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine is safe and effective among people 12 years and older who have completed a primary COVID vaccine series, following the Emergency Use Authorization from the US Food and Drug Administration and the recommendation of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"To keep our community safe and healthy, we urge our residents to get vaccinated and boosted, when eligible," said Bela T. Matyas, M.D., M.P.H., Solano County Health Officer. "Vaccination remains the most effective method for fighting COVID-19 and preventing severe illness and disease."

WHERE TO GET VACCINATED FOR COVID-19 DOSES AND BOOSTERS

Individuals who are interested in getting the new booster for COVID-19 should reach out to their healthcare provider. More information about booster availability through Public Health's community pop-up clinics, including at our fixed location at the Solano Town Center Mall, will be available at <https://www.SolanoCounty.com/covidvaccine>.

COVID-19 INFORMATION

- Homebound individuals interested in requesting an in-home vaccination appointment are encouraged to call the COVID-19 vaccine line at (707) 784-8988 for scheduling assistance.
- Residents without transportation to and from vaccine sites hosted by Solano County are urged to call the COVID-19 vaccine line at (707) 784-8988 and arrange for a free ride through Uber.
- For vaccine clinics available throughout the State, visit <https://MyTurn.Ca.Gov>
- For recent local COVID-19 health information, including the number of COVID-19 cases in Solano County as reflected on the COVID-19 dashboard, visit www.SolanoCounty.com/COVID19
- Public Health Facebook page, <https://www.Facebook.com/SolanoCountyPH> -and [@SolanoCountyPH](https://www.Facebook.com/SolanoCountyPH)

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