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Booster Shot of COVID-19 Vaccine now Available for Adults Age 18 and Older

San Bernardino County COVID-19 Vaccine Provider,

Thank you for your partnership as we continue to vaccinate our San Bernardino County communities. Earlier today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) amended the emergency use authorizations (EUA) for both the Moderna and Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines, authorizing use of a single booster dose for all individuals 18 years or older after completion of primary vaccination with any FDA-authorized or approved COVID-19 vaccine.

Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (CDC-ACIP) met today to discuss further clinical recommendations.

Subsequently, the CDC recommends all persons 18 years of age and older **may** receive a COVID-19 vaccine booster, and all persons 50 years of age and older **should** receive a COVID-19 vaccine booster if:

- Six months have passed since their second dose of Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna OR
- Two months have passed since their Johnson & Johnson dose

The FDA's authorization and CDC's guidance for use are important steps forward as we continue to work to keep the San Bernardino County community safe. For your reference, we are including the most up-to-date press release from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and California Department of Public Health.

[FDA News Release COVID-19 Boosters](#)
[CDC Expands Eligibility for COVID-19 Booster Shots](#)
[CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shots](#)
[CDPH COVID-19 Booster Vaccines](#)

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "JD".

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