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To: Maine COVID-19 Vaccine Providers
From: Maine Immunization Program
Subject: Planning and Preparedness Efforts for Moderna Booster Doses
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Planning is underway in anticipation of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' (ACIP) decision regarding Moderna booster vaccines. As we await ACIP's decision next week, we are continuing to work on our planning and preparedness efforts ahead of the final decision.

The proposed dosage size for Moderna's booster dose is 0.25mL, which is half of the dosage size of the primary doses given. Please note that you will use a 1mL syringe to extract the 0.25mL booster dose.

For Moderna vaccine currently in your inventory:

- Additional 1mL syringes will not be provided for existing inventory.
- Please assess your inventory of both vaccine and ancillary supplies prior to the ACIP meeting on October 20-21 so you are aware of the inventory of vaccine and supplies at your site. We request that you utilize those supplies prior to ordering additional doses of vaccine, when possible.
- Unused ancillary supplies from Pfizer and J&J/Janssen kits also may be used to administer Moderna boosters as long as CDC Clinical Considerations are maintained.
 - www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/info-by-product/moderna/index.html
- Please check Moderna lot numbers on the [Vial Expiration Date Lookup](#) for updated expiration dates. Moderna is continuously updating their website.

For future vaccine orders after ACIP meets:

- Ancillary kits will include only 1mL syringes to assure accurate extraction of 0.25mL of booster doses. New orders of Moderna will include sufficient ancillary supplies to extract 20 doses of vaccine per vial, the maximum number of times a single vial can be punctured. This ensures that maximum number of doses can be pulled from a single vial.

We will be communicating additional guidance as we receive it over the next week.

For any questions, please call the Maine Immunization Program at 207-287-3746.