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After completing the primary COVID-19 vaccine series, **some** moderately or severely immunocompromised people should get an additional primary shot and may also be eligible for a booster dose.

- Everyone 12 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised **should** get an additional primary shot of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.
- Everyone aged 16 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised **should** get an additional primary shot of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine and are **also** eligible for a booster dose 6 months later.
- Everyone 18 years and older **should** get a booster shot of [any of the COVID-19 vaccines](#) authorized in the United States.
- People eligible for an additional primary shot, should get this dose first before they get a booster shot.

Eligible For	IF YOU RECEIVED Pfizer-BioNTech	IF YOU RECEIVED Moderna	IF YOU RECEIVED Johnson & Johnson's Janssen
Additional Primary Shot	People age 12+ who are moderately or severely immunocompromised should get an additional primary shot of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine Given 28 days after 2 nd shot	People age 18+ who are moderately or severely immunocompromised should get an additional primary shot of Moderna COVID-19 vaccine Given 28 days after 2 nd shot	No additional primary shot is recommended at this time
Booster Shot	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teens ages 16–17 can get a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine booster shot• People age 18+ should get a booster shot of any of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized in the United States Given 6 months after additional primary shot	People age 18+ should get a booster shot of any of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized in the United States Given 6 months after additional primary shot	People age 18+ should get a booster shot of any of the COVID-19 vaccines authorized in the United States Given 2 months after 1 st shot

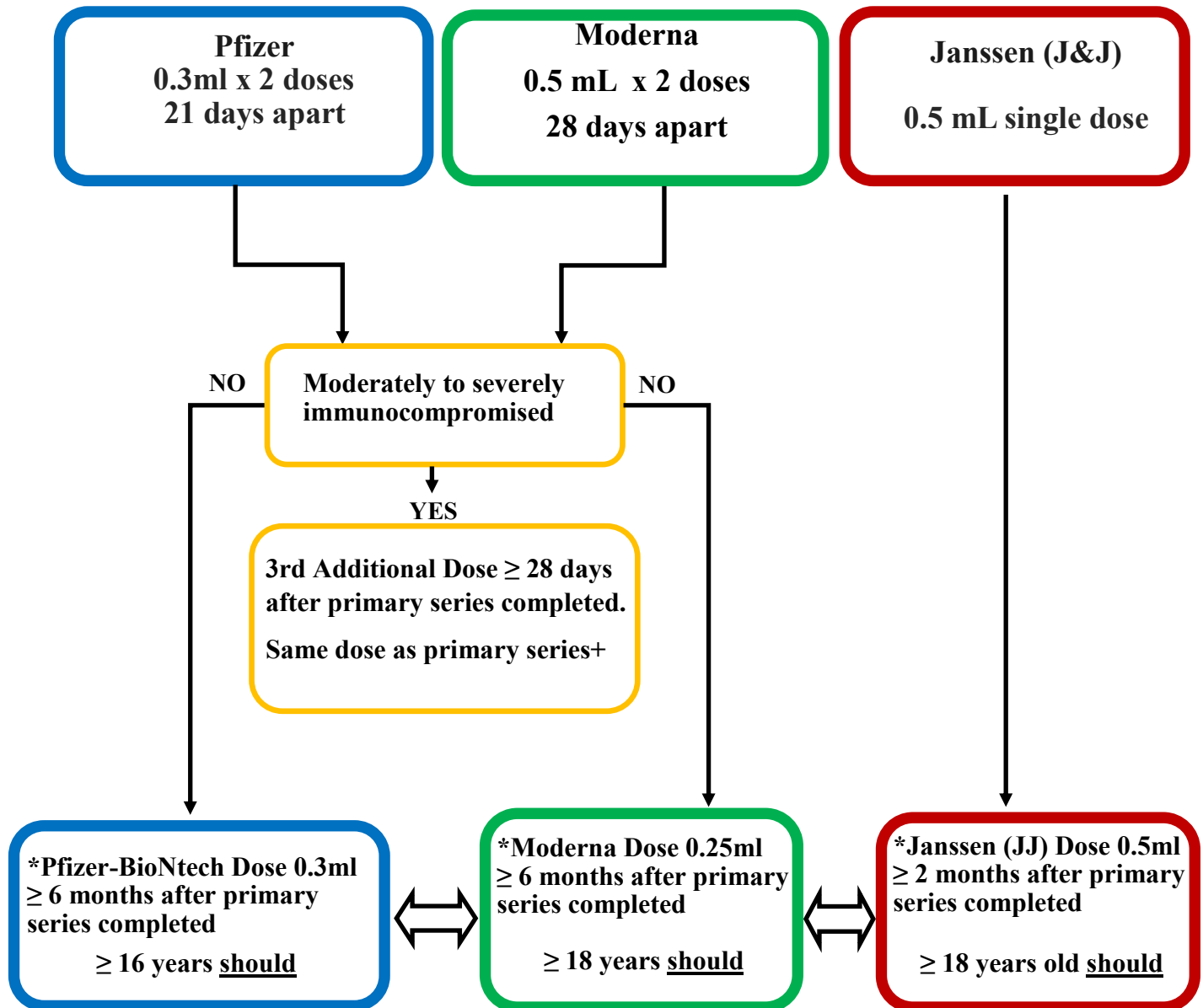
Resources:

- [COVID-19 Vaccines for Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised People | CDC](#)
- [COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shots | CDC](#)

For any questions, please call the Maine Immunization Program at 207-287-3746 or email ImmunizeME.DHHS@maine.gov.



COVID-19 Vaccination Decision Tree



* Providers may provide heterologous (“mix and match”) booster doses to eligible individuals following completion of primary vaccination.

+ Individuals that are moderately or severely immunocompromised may **receive a total of four COVID-19 vaccine doses.**

- Everyone aged 12 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised **should** get an additional primary shot of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, but are **not** eligible for a booster dose.
- Everyone aged 16 years and older who are moderately or severely immunocompromised **should** get an additional primary shot of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine, and are **also** eligible for a booster dose 6 months later.

For more information: [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)

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