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CDC recommends people who are moderately to severely immunocompromised should receive an additional dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccine after the initial 2 doses.

QUESTION 1. WHO NEEDS A BOOSTER SHOT?

1. Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
2. Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
3. Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
4. Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
5. Advanced or untreated HIV infection
6. Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response. This includes Steroids, cellcept, imuran, methotrexate, IgG deficiency.

QUESTION 2. WHEN DO I GET A BOOSTER SHOT?

CDC recommends the additional dose of a COVID-19 vaccine be administered at least four weeks after a second dose of Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.

QUESTION 3. CAN YOU MIX AND MATCH VACCINES?

For people who received either Pfizer or Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine series, a third dose of the same vaccine should be used. If the vaccine product given for the first two doses is not available or is unknown, either COVID-19 vaccine product may be administered.

QUESTION 4. WHAT IF I HAD J AND J?

The FDA's recent EUA amendment only applies to Pfizer and Moderna. There is not enough data at this time to determine whether immunocompromised people who received the Johnson & Johnson's Janssen COVID-19 vaccine should receive a booster.

Pulmonary Associates, as a vaccine clinic, will start administering booster shots to patients who meet the above criteria on Monday August 16th with no appointment necessary.