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**Moderna and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Doses
Authorized – *Booster Mix-and-Match Approved***

BUTTE COUNTY, CA – As of October 22, 2021, the FDA, CDC and The Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup has recommended a COVID-19 booster dose for recipients of the Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines. Recipients of the Moderna vaccine may receive a booster dose six months after completing their primary vaccination series, and recipients of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine may receive a booster dose two months after receiving their first dose.

At this time, booster doses are not required to be considered fully vaccinated, but are encouraged to keep protection levels against COVID-19 as high as possible.

Booster doses of the Pfizer vaccine was recommended on September 24, 2021.

The Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson booster doses will be the same dosage as the original vaccine received in the series. The Moderna booster dose will be half dosage compared to the original vaccine series.

A Pfizer or Moderna booster dose is recommended if you:

- Received your second dose at least six months ago, and
- Are 65 or older, or
- Age 18+ who live in long-term care settings, or
- Age 18+ who have underlying medical conditions, or
- Age 18+ who are at increased risk due to social inequity, or
- Age 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings

A Johnson & Johnson booster dose is recommended if you:

- Received your first dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine at least 2 months ago, and
- Are 18 or older

Mix-and-Match Boosters

A single booster dose of *any of the available COVID-19 vaccines* may be administered as a mix and match booster dose following completion of primary vaccination with any approved COVID-19 vaccine, depending on advice from a health care provider, individual preference, availability, or convenience.

Please note: California's vaccine scheduling site, MyTurn.ca.gov does not offer the ability to schedule a mixed dose appointment at this time. For those wishing to get different vaccine for their booster dose, residents may visit any location that currently offers the desired COVID-19 vaccine, including clinics, some pharmacies and some healthcare providers.

Find a COVID-19 vaccine near you:

- Butte County COVID-19 Vaccination Website: www.buttecounty.net/COVIDvaccine
- State COVID-19 Vaccine Website: MyTurn.ca.gov
- Questions? Call the Butte County COVID-19 Call Center: 530-552-3050

Date	City	Address	Time	Vaccine
October 26th	Chico	Chico Community Clinic: 560 Cohasset Road	3:00 to 6:00 pm	Moderna
October 27th	Chico	Chico Community Clinic: 560 Cohasset Road	3:00 to 6:00 pm	Pfizer and J&J
October 27th	Oroville	Nelson Middle School: 2255 6 th St.	2:30 to 4:30 pm	Pfizer, Moderna and J&J
October 30th	Chico	Butte College Chico Center: 2320 Forest Ave. (Drive-thru)	10:00 am to 2:00 pm	Pfizer, Moderna and J&J

Learn more about COVID-19 vaccine booster, visit the California Department of Public Health's list of frequently asked questions: tinyurl.com/3ja295br.

Butte County Public Health vaccination clinics are always voluntary. BCPH strongly urges everyone who is eligible to get fully vaccinated, but does not mandate anyone to get vaccinated.

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