

On October 29, 2021, the Public Health Agency of Canada released interim guidance from the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) on [COVID-19 booster doses](#) for certain populations.

A booster dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine can be offered 6 months after completion of the primary series to:

- Adults living in long-term care or other congregate settings that provide care for seniors (as recommended by NACI on September 28, 2021)
- Adults 70 years of age and older
- Individuals who have only received two doses of the AstraZeneca Vaxzevria/COVISHIELD vaccine
- Individuals who have only received one dose of the Janssen vaccine
- Adults who identify as Indigenous or who live in an Indigenous community
- Adults who are frontline healthcare workers who have direct in-person contact with patients and who were vaccinated with a very short interval (less than 28 days).

IMPORTANT DOSING INFORMATION FOR MODERNA SPIKEVAX WHEN USED AS A BOOSTER DOSE

Table 1: mRNA Booster Dose Recommendations by Product and by Age

VACCINE PRODUCT	INDIVIDUALS AGE	DOSE
Pfizer Comirnaty	12 years and over	30 mcg (0.3 mls)
Moderna Spikevax	12 years-69 years*	50 mcg (0.25 mls)
	70 years and over	100 mcg (0.5 mls)

***Individuals 18 years of age and older living in long term care or congregate living facilities should receive a full dose of Moderna vaccine, 100mcg (0.5mls).**

Currently, there are no booster dose recommendations for individuals who are unable to receive an mRNA vaccine.