

# Updated (Bivalent) COVID-19 Vaccine Fact Sheet

### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

#### What does "bivalent" mean?

Bivalent refers to the COVID-19 vaccine now having TWO components: one piece of the original COVID-19 virus and one piece of the omicron variant. This means that the updated COVID-19 vaccine provides broader protection against two strains of the virus.

## How many doses do I need of the updated COVID-19 vaccine?

It is now just one dose. However, your eligibility for multiple doses is dependent on your age and health status. Consult your healthcare provider about your eligibility.

#### UPDATED GUIDANCE ON VACCINATION

# Children aged 6 months - 5 years old

May need multiple doses of the COVID-19 vaccine to be up to date, depending on their age and the number of doses they've previously received. Speak with your child's healthcare provider for specific guidance.

# Everyone aged 6 - 64 years old

To be up to date, you must receive at least one dose of the updated COVID-19 vaccine.

# People who are aged 65 years and older OR immunocompromised

- If you are 65 years of age or older, you can get the one dose of the updated COVID-19 vaccine AND a second dose of the updated vaccine 4 or more months after.
- If you are immunocompromised, you can get the one dose of the updated COVID-19 vaccine AND a second dose of the updated vaccine 2 or more months after.

To find COVID-19 vaccine locations near you: Search <u>vaccines.gov</u>, text your ZIP code to 438829 or call 1-800-232-0233.



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