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Calvert County Updates COVID-19 Vaccination Guidance

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Oct. 8, 2021 – The Calvert County Health Department has updated guidance on eligibility requirements for residents who wish to register for a booster or third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. Under new guidance, all citizens ages 16 or older, who have received either the initial Pfizer or Moderna vaccinations, are eligible to receive a booster dose. At least four months must have passed since the second dose of the initial vaccine to be eligible for a booster. Previous guidance only allowed individuals ages 50 or older, and those who are immunocompromised to receive the booster shot.

Citizens who originally received the Johnson & Johnson (J&J) vaccination must have a note from their personal physician or nurse practitioner recommending a booster dose. Limited supply of the J&J vaccine is available. Citizens should talk to a healthcare provider about the possibility of receiving a Pfizer or Moderna booster if the J&J vaccine is unavailable.

Citizens are reminded that the Calvert County Government has reopened an information call center to assist eligible residents who wish to register for a booster or third dose of the COVID-19 vaccine through the Calvert County Health Department. For questions or assistance scheduling an appointment, residents may call 410-535-0218, Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

It is strongly recommended that citizens working in one of the following fields take advantage of the increased protection of a booster dose:

- Nursing home and assisted living staff
- Healthcare workers
- First responders
- People who work or live in congregate residential facilities

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- Public transit and school bus drivers
- Teachers/classroom staff and daycare staff

To view the schedule of upcoming vaccine clinics, including mobile clinics, and to schedule an appointment online, residents may visit [CalvertCountyCovid19.com/vaccination](https://www.CalvertCountyCovid19.com/vaccination). Many health care providers, hospitals and pharmacies also offer COVID-19 vaccine clinics; search for all vaccine providers near you at [Coronavirus.Maryland.gov/pages/vaccine](https://www.Coronavirus.Maryland.gov/pages/vaccine).

Individuals must bring proof of prior vaccination to their appointment to receive a booster or third dose. Citizens may view and print copies of their immunization record through the Maryland MyIR website at <https://md.myir.net>.

For health questions regarding COVID-19 and vaccination, residents should call their primary care providers.

Visit Calvert County's COVID-19 virtual resource center at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov/Coronavirus for updates and resources. Find information on Calvert County Government services online at www.CalvertCountyMd.gov. Stay up to date with Calvert County Government on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CalvertCountyMd and YouTube at www.youtube.com/CalvertCountyGov.

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