

Week In Review

September 19, 2022

COVID Boosters

On September 1, 2022, the CDC endorsed ACIP's recommendations for use of updated COVID-19 boosters from Pfizer-BioNTech for people ages 12 years and older and from Moderna for people 18 years and older. These bivalent boosters add Omicron BA.4 and BA.5 spike protein components to the current vaccine composition.

Older booster vaccines (without the updated Omicron components) should **no longer be used**.

CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Recommendations

Updates

ACIP Meeting (ACIP)

None listed

COCA Call (COCA)

• September 20, 2022. Evaluating and supporting patients presenting with cardiovascular symptoms following COVID

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC)

- September 22. Discussion on Rebyota (Rebiotix, Inc.).
- October 6. 2023 Southern Hemisphere Influenza vaccine strain selection

MMWR Weekly (No 37)

- Use of 15-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine among U.S. children: updated recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices
- Mortality risk among patients hospitalized primarily for COVID-19 during the Omicron and Delta variant pandemic periods (US, April 2020-June 2022)
- Clinical use of Tecovirimat (Tpoxx) for treatment of monkeypox under an investigational new drug protocol

Continuing Education

CDC's Pink Book. CDC is offering a series of weekly one-hour web-on-demand videos that will provide an overview of vaccination principles, general best practices, immunization strategies, and specific information about vaccine-preventable diseases and the vaccines that prevent them. Each video will include updated information from recent Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) meetings and votes.

Learn more

Coronavirus Updates

Worldwide

Total - 612,070,031 Deaths - 6,526,738

United States

Total - 95,662,304 Deaths - 1,053,436

Delaware (https://myhealthycommunity.dhss.delaware.gov/locations/state)

Total - 305,772 Deaths - 3,086

- New Castle 173,774
- Kent 59,388
- Sussex 71,535
- Hospitalizations 137
- Critical 13
- Tests Positive: 12.4%
- Vaccines
 - Fully Vaccinated 627,672 (64.9%)
 - Partially Vaccinated 92,412
 - Boosted 411,746

Updates

- DPH <u>Update</u> on COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and information on bivalent boosters
- NIH-funded team develops a method to identify <u>future_SARS-CoV-2</u> mutations that could affect rapid antigen test performance
- View CDC recommendations for boosters and vaccines

Monkeypox Updates

- 2022 <u>US Map & Case Count</u> 23,499 total confirmed monkeypox/orthopoxvirus cases (35 in Delaware)
- New Hampshire reports first monkeypox case in a child

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Outbreak News

WHO Disease Outbreak News

September 5: Argentina - Legionellosis September 13: Algeria - Circulating vaccine-

derived poliovirus type 2

September 14: United Kingdom, United States -

cVDPV2 in environmental samples



CDC Outbreak List

August

• Unknown Food Source - E. coli outbreak

Travel Notices

COVID-19

• High:

Moderate: Montserrat, Timor-Leste

• Low: Togo, Kenya

• Unknown: Sint Maarten



Alert, Level 2: Floods in PakistanPolio in Africa Watch, Level 1: *Salmonella* Newport in Mexico; Dengue in Asia and the Pacific Islands



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- Updated COVID-19 vaccination resources to prepare for the fall bivalent booster doses
- Spanish translations of 2022-2023 influenza vaccination screening forms

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Ghana declares end of <u>Marburg</u> virus disease outbreak

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Rhode Island reports first human case of <u>West Nile Virus</u> in 2022

Immunization Coalition of Delaware https://www.immunizedelaware.org/

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