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)
- 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](#)

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**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](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 [Update](#) on COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations, and information on bivalent boosters
- NIH-funded team develops a method to identify future SARS-CoV-2 mutations that could affect rapid antigen test performance
- View CDC [recommendations](#) for boosters and vaccines

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**Monkeypox Updates**

- 2022 [US Map & Case Count](#) - 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 Pakistan  
Polio 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 [Marburg](#) virus disease outbreak  
• Rhode Island reports first human case of [West Nile Virus](#) in 2022
Immunization Coalition of Delaware
https://www.immunizedelaware.org/

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