



Yavapai County

Our Mission: "Yavapai County will serve and protect its citizens through efficient management of all its resources to enhance the lives of those we serve."



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Booster Shots for the Immunocompromised

What You Need to Know

CDC recommends that people with moderately to severely compromised immune systems receive an additional dose of mRNA COVID-19 vaccine at least 28 days after a second dose of the Pfizer or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine. **CDC does not recommend additional doses or booster shots for any other population at this time.**

Who Needs an Additional COVID-19 Vaccine? Currently, CDC is recommending that moderately to severely immunocompromised people receive an additional dose. This includes people who have:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome, Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress your immune response

People should talk to their healthcare provider about their medical condition, and whether getting an additional dose is appropriate for them. CDC recommends the additional dose of an mRNA COVID-19 vaccine be administered at least four weeks after a second dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine.

For people who received either Pfizer or Moderna's COVID-19 vaccine series, a third dose of the same mRNA vaccine should be used. The FDA's recent EUA amendment only applies to mRNA COVID-19 vaccines, as does CDC's recommendation, so there is no booster for Johnson & Johnson.

Yavapai County reports 228 COVID-19 cases and 1 Death since Friday. The county has tested 132,549 residents for COVID-19 and there have been **22,256** positive cases and **556** deaths since the beginning of the pandemic.

Yavapai Regional Medical Center reports **40** COVID-19 patients (33 in Prescott/7 in Prescott Valley), VVMC reports **21**, and the VA has **2** COVID-19 patients.

If you are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or what seems to be a bad cold, please get tested for COVID-19. **Testing sites:** <https://yavapaiaz.gov/Portals/39/COVID-19/TestingSitesinYavapaiCounty.pdf>.

The best way to avoid getting infected is to get vaccinated. The vaccines are safe, effective, and free. Check out the YCCHS Vaccine Information Page for contact info to make an appointment for the COVID-19 vaccines: <https://yavapaiaz.gov/chs/Home/COVID-19/COVID-19-Vaccine-Appointments>.

Call: 928-771-3122 for appointments. **Phone Bank for Assistance:** 928-442-5103. Or www.vaccine.gov