

Press Release

COVID-19 Boosters Available for Immunocompromised

Macon County Public Health will begin COVID-19 booster vaccinations for immunocompromised individuals on Thursday, August 26, 2021. Other dates for these boosters include September 2, September 9 and September 16.

These boosters are only for immunocompromised people who have completed two (2) doses of Moderna or Pfizer vaccines at least twenty-eight (28) days prior to the booster. Currently, there is not an approved booster vaccine for Johnson and Johnson. If you received Pfizer for your first two (2) doses, you should receive Pfizer for the booster dose and the same applies for Moderna.

Individuals requesting the booster vaccinations will be asked to sign an attestation stating the following health conditions apply:

- Receiving active cancer treatment
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medications to suppress their immune system
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last two (2) years or are taking medicine to suppress the immune system
- Moderate to severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome or Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
- Advanced or untreated HIV infection
- Active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that may suppress immune system

Registered individuals MUST bring their immunization cards with them to receive the booster vaccination. For more information or to register for a COVID-19 booster, please call Macon County Public Health at (828) 349-2081.

If you believe that you may have COVID-19, please call the Health Department at 828-349-2081 to schedule an appointment for a test.

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