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COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Shot Eligibility & Availability in North Georgia

No Appointment Needed for COVID-19 Vaccine at County Health Depts in North GA

NORTH GA –The CDC recommends that certain populations receive a booster shot of Pfizer-BioNTech's COVID-19 Vaccine at least 6 months after completion of their 2-dose Pfizer vaccine series. These shots, as well as <u>all COVID-19 vaccines</u>, are available at our Public Health Departments in <u>Cherokee</u>, <u>Fannin</u>, <u>Gilmer</u>, <u>Murray</u>, <u>Pickens</u> and <u>Whitfield</u> Counties. . . NO Appointment is Needed!

People who should receive a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine booster include:

- People aged 65 and older
- People 18+ living in long-term care settings
- People aged 50-64 with an underlying medical condition

People who may receive a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine booster include:

- People aged 18–49 with an underlying medical condition
- People aged 18–64 who are at increased risk for COVID-19 exposure & transmission due to working or residing in certain settings

People in the recommended groups who received the Moderna or J&J/Janssen vaccine will likely need a booster shot. More data on the effectiveness and safety of Moderna and J&J/Janssen booster shots are expected soon. With those data in hand, the CDC will keep the public informed with a timely plan for Moderna and J&J/Janssen booster shots, and we will share that information <u>here</u> on our website and on our social media platforms on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u>.

Learn more from the CDC at <u>https://bit.ly/3mrK4Z5</u>.

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About Us: The North Georgia Health District is part of the Georgia Department of Public Health. One of 18 health districts in the state, the North Georgia Health District (District 1-2) is comprised of six counties: Cherokee, Fannin, Gilmer, Murray, Pickens, and Whitfield. Many public health programs and services exist throughout the district, all of which are designed to meet the needs of the people of North Georgia. Learn more about us at <u>www.nghd.org</u>, and follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.



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