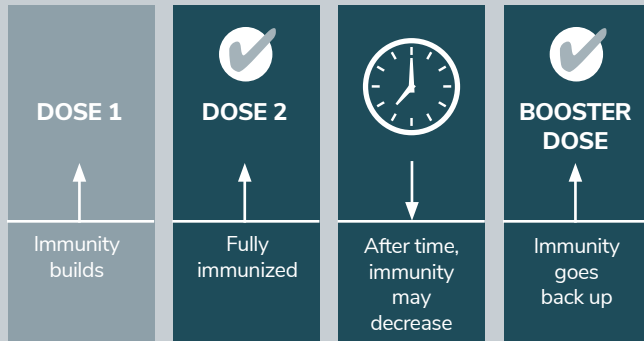


# COVID-19 Vaccine Boosters and 3<sup>rd</sup> Doses

While booster doses and 3<sup>rd</sup> doses for COVID-19 may seem similar, they actually have very different purposes.

## Booster dose

A **booster dose is given as immunity may decrease over time**. A booster dose helps you maintain and lengthen your protection against COVID-19.



For people who received the Janssen vaccine, only 1 dose is needed to be fully immunized.

## Who is a booster dose for?

Everyone 12 years of age and older will be invited to get a booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine, 6 months after their initial series is complete (i.e. 2 or 3 doses)

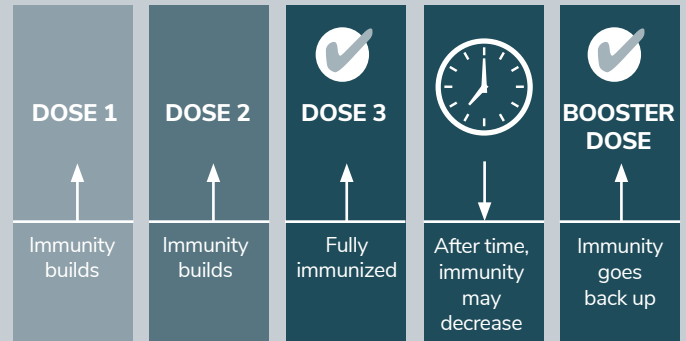


## Which vaccine is recommended for a booster dose?

- If you are between the ages of 12-29, the booster dose will be given with Pfizer vaccine.
- If you are 30 years of age or older, the booster dose will be given with Moderna vaccine.
- It is safe for your booster dose to be a different brand than your previous vaccines.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> dose

Some people, like people with compromised immune systems, need 3 doses to achieve the level of protection that most people get with 2 doses.



## Who is a 3<sup>rd</sup> dose for?

A 3<sup>rd</sup> dose is recommended for people with **moderate to severely compromised immune systems** such as those receiving active cancer treatment. See the full list on Yukon.ca [yukon.ca](https://www.yukon.ca) or speak to a health care provider.



## Which vaccine is recommended for a 3<sup>rd</sup> dose?

- If you are between the ages of 5-29, the third dose will be given with Pfizer vaccine.
- If you are 30 years of age or older, the third dose will be given with Moderna vaccine.
- It is safe for your third dose to be a different brand than your previous vaccines.

## What you need to know

To book a vaccination appointment visit: [yukon.ca/en/this-is-our-shot](https://www.yukon.ca/en/this-is-our-shot)

It is important to get all the recommended doses, including booster doses, to have the best protection against COVID-19, especially severe disease.

To learn more visit:

[yukon.ca/en/this-is-our-shot](https://www.yukon.ca/en/this-is-our-shot) or [yukon.ca/en/covid-19-vaccine](https://www.yukon.ca/en/covid-19-vaccine) or call 8-1-1