

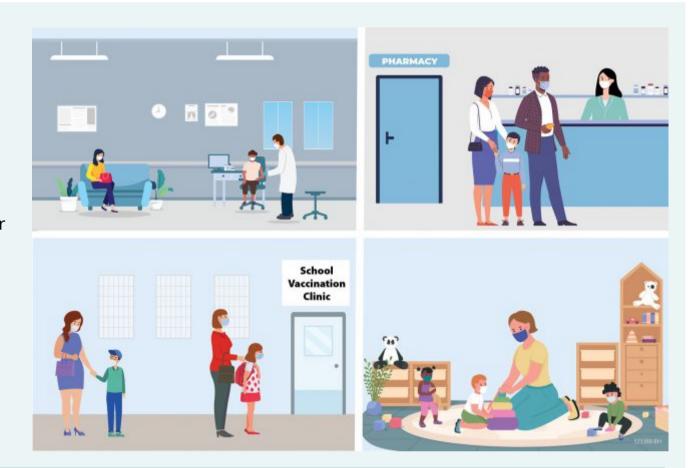


### COVID-19 Vaccines for Children and Teens

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## About Vaccination for Children and Teens

CDC recommends COVID-19 vaccines for everyone 6 months and older and boosters for everyone 5 years and older, if eligible. Use CDC's COVID-19 booster tool to learn if and when your child or teen can get boosters to stay up to date with their COVID-19 vaccines.



Vaccines for Children and Teens

Why Children and Teens Should Get Vaccinated

Vaccine Safety in Children and Teens

# COVID-19 Vaccine Dosage Is Based on Age on the Day of Vaccination, Not on Size or Weight

Children get a smaller dose of COVID-19 vaccine than teens and adults that is the right amount for their age group.

### COVID-19 primary series vaccination for children and teens

Child's Age	Pfizer-BioNTech	Moderna	Novavax	J&J/Janssen
6 months – 4 years old	3-dose primary series	2-dose primary series	Not authorized	Not authorized
5 – 11 years old	2-dose primary series	2-dose primary series	Not authorized	Not authorized
12 – 17 years old	2-dose primary series	2-dose primary series	2-dose primary series	Not authorized

For more information on COVID-19 vaccines and dosage for children and teens, visit:

- Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine Overview and Safety
- Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine Overview and Safety
- Novavax COVID-19 Adjuvanted Vaccine Overview and Safety

For information on an additional primary dose for children who have a weakened immune system, visit COVID-19 Vaccines for People Who Are Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised.

Learn more about recommended COVID-19 vaccine boosters.

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#### Children and Teens Who Are Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised

Children and teens ages 5 through 17 years who are moderately or severely immunocompromised will need a third dose to complete their primary series, as well as boosters if eligible. Children and teens with a weakened immune system should get:

- 1 booster if they are ages 5 through 11 years
- 2 boosters if they are ages 12 years and older

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