Third Dose Vaccine Administration for People Who Are Immunocompromised

(A third dose is recommended only for people who got their first two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine with either the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna vaccine)

INFORMATION and INSTRUCTIONS:

If you are 18 years of age or older, please review the information in this form carefully and follow the instructions. For people under the age of 18 years, the parent or legal guardian should review the information and follow the instructions.

The CDC recommends that people who have a weakened immune system and are “moderately to severely immunocompromised” should get a third dose of either the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine (for people 12 years of age or older) or Moderna vaccine (for people 18 years of age or older) after completing the first two recommended doses. This additional third dose should be given at least 28 days after the second dose. A third dose has been found to increase protection against COVID-19 for people who may not have developed full protection from the first two doses. Please note that this third additional dose that is recommended for people who have a weakened immune system is different from a “booster dose”.

We recommend you talk to your healthcare provider about your particular health situation and whether you might benefit from a third dose. The CDC currently recommends a third vaccine dose for people who:

- Are receiving active treatment for cancers (including solid organ tumors or cancers of the blood)
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medicines that weaken the immune system
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years, or are taking medicine that weaken the immune system after a stem cell transplant
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency disorders (such as DiGeorge syndrome and Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)
- Have advanced or untreated HIV infection
- Are receiving active treatment with high-dose corticosteroids or other drugs that weaken the immune system, such as transplant-related immunosuppressive drugs, cancer chemotherapy, tumor-necrosis factor (TNF) blockers, etc.

There are other health conditions not included in this list, however, that could cause a person to be “moderately to severely immunocompromised”. So if you are unsure about whether you should get a third vaccine dose, please talk with your healthcare provider.

Also, because of your weakened immune system, even if you get a third vaccine dose you still may not develop a full protective immune response. So it is recommended that you still take steps to protect yourself from COVID-19.
If you qualify for a third vaccine dose then please fill out the information below, check the box to acknowledge you have reviewed the information provided and that you believe you meet criteria to receive a third COVID-19 vaccine dose, then sign and date this form and return to vaccine clinic staff.

Name of Person Receiving the Vaccine: _______________________________________________________

Date of Birth: _______________  Age: __________

☐ I have reviewed and understand the information provided in this form, and I confirm that I (or my child) meet criteria to receive a third dose of either the Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna COVID-19 vaccine because of a health condition which causes me (or my child) to have a moderate or severely weakened immune system.

Signature of Vaccine Recipient: _______________________________________________________________

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian (if applicable): ________________________________________________

Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian: _______________________________________________________ 

Date: _____________________