## Vaccine Series

### Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine

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| Two dose primary series | 5 years and older:  
- All 5 – 11 year olds receive two shots of the child dose  
- All 12 year olds and older receive two shots of the adult dose  
  Given 21 days apart  
  Note: For male patients 12 and older, there may be an advantage to waiting 8 weeks between the first and second dose. If your son is in this age group ask the primary care provider about which schedule is best for him. |
| Third dose            | Children ages 5+ who are moderately or severely immunocompromised* should get a third dose as part of their primary series of Pfizer vaccine  
  Given 28 days after 2nd shot |
| Booster               |  
- Teens ages 12 – 17 should get a Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine booster 5 months after their last shot of the primary series  
- Teens age 12 – 17 who are moderately or severely immunocompromised* should get a Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine booster 3 months after their third dose |

### *Who is moderately or severely immunocompromised?*

People are considered to be moderately or severely immunocompromised, and should have a third dose of Pfizer vaccine in the primary series, if they have:

- Been receiving active cancer treatment for tumors or cancers of the blood  
- Received an organ transplant and are taking medication to suppress their immune system  
- Received a stem cell transplant within the last 2 years or are taking medication to suppress their immune system  
- Moderate or severe primary immunodeficiency (such as DiGeorge syndrome/Wiskott-Aldrich syndrome)  
- Active treatment with high-dose steroids or other drugs that may suppress their immune response

Talk to your child’s doctor if you are unsure if they should have two or three primary doses of vaccine.