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COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Eligibility and Availability

Topeka, Kan. – This week the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) authorized all COVID-19 vaccine providers in Kansas to begin administering Moderna and Janssen (Johnson & Johnson) COVID-19 boosters in addition to Pfizer-BioNTech booster shots to eligible individuals following the guidance received from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) the same morning.

The following graph outlines the differences between each authorized vaccine boost dose and the eligibility of each vaccine variety:

COVID-19 Booster Doses				
	Pfizer-BioNTech	Moderna	Janssen (J&J)	
Eligibility	65 years of age and older; ages 18+ who live in long-term care; ages 18+ who have underlying health conditions; ages 18+ who work or live in high-risk settings		All Recipients	
Time between primary series and booster	At least 6 months	At least 6 months	At least 2 months	
Authorized Dosage	0.3mL (Full Dose)	0.25mL (Half Dose)	0.5mL (Full Dose)	

Individuals are encouraged to discuss with their medical provider any questions surrounding their eligibility for a booster dose. However, a letter or prescription from a qualified medical provider or a letter from a workplace setting will **not be required**. Individuals are encouraged to bring their CDC vaccination card as documentation of their primary vaccine series; however, this is **not required**.

Individuals may receive **ANY** booster type, regardless of the primary vaccine series received.

The Shawnee County Health Department (SCHD) continues to strongly encourage residents to protect themselves by getting a COVID-19 vaccine. Many opportunities to receive a COVID-19



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vaccine continue to exist in our community and can be found easily through the <u>CDC's Vaccine</u> tool.

The SCHD is offering COVID-19 vaccine boosters, in addition to other vaccines, at their Clinical Services Division, located at 2115 SW 10th Ave, by appointment only. Individuals can call 785.251.5700 to schedule an appointment for the following hours:

Monday, Thursday, Friday	Tuesday	Wednesday
8:00am - 11:00am	10:00am - 1:00pm	8:00am - 11:00am
1:00pm - 4:00pm	3:00pm - 6:00pm	2:00pm - 4:00pm

Children must be accompanied by a parent/guardian and everyone entering the building over the age of 2 is required to wear a mask. If accommodations are needed due to a medical condition please call 785.251.5700.

Questions regarding COVID-19 vaccines can be sent to CovidVaccine@snco.us.

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Shawnee County Health Department is committed to working in partnership with our community to promote and protect the optimal health of all people by bridging gaps to eliminate health inequities, respecting the diversity of our community, through adaptive and innovative processes.

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