An additional primary (3rd) dose is strongly recommended for people aged 5 and older with moderately or severely weakened immune systems (for example, blood-related cancers or certain treatments for cancer, organ transplants, and certain autoimmune conditions).

The 3rd dose should be the same COVID-19 vaccine as your primary series. Talk to your doctor about the need to get an additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine and about the best timing based on your current treatment plan. This is especially important if you are about to start or restart immunosuppressive treatment.

People ages 12 and older should get a booster dose 5 months after receiving the additional primary (3rd) dose. It may be any COVID-19 vaccine but either Pfizer or Moderna is preferred. Children ages 12-17 should get Pfizer as a booster.

If your primary series was a WHO-listed vaccine or a vaccine from a clinical trial
If you are age 12 and older and considered fully vaccinated in the U.S. and you have a moderately to severely weakened immune system, you should get an additional dose of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine. It should be received at least 28 days after completing your primary series.

Talk to your doctor about the need to get an additional dose of COVID-19 vaccine and about the best timing based on your current treatment plan. This is especially important if you are about to start or restart immunosuppressive treatment. You are eligible for a Pfizer booster dose 5 months after receiving the additional (3rd) dose. The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is the only vaccine authorized as an additional dose or booster for people who did not receive an FDA authorized/approved COVID-19 vaccine series.