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Important Updates Regarding Expanding Populations Eligible to Receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine, Pre-Book Requests, and CDC Guidelines for Fully Vaccinated Persons

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Expanding Populations Eligible to Receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to Include Persons 12 Years and Older

On May 10, 2021, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) expanded the [emergency use authorization](#) (EUA) for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to include adolescents 12 through 15 years of age. The FDA amended the EUA originally issued on December 11, 2020, for administration in individuals 16 years of age and older.

The latest EUA aligns with Executive Order [21-79](#), issued by Governor Ron DeSantis on March 26, 2021, allowing qualified health care providers to administer COVID-19 vaccines to all populations eligible to receive COVID-19 vaccines authorized by the FDA.

For more information regarding the latest guidelines, please use the links below:

- [FDA News Release](#)
- [Fact Sheet for Health Care Providers Administering Vaccine](#)
- [Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers](#)

Florida COVID-19 Vaccine Weekly Pre-Book Request

COVID-19 vaccine enrolled providers may request vaccine in their weekly COVID-19 pre-book request in Florida SHOTS. Please remember to submit your pre-book requests each week by noon every Wednesday, ET. **Requests do not guarantee an allocation will be made and requests will not carry over to the following week.** COVID-19 vaccine enrolled providers are also now responsible for requesting second doses, as they will not be automatically sent as they have been previously.

For more information contact the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program at FloridaVFC@flhealth.gov, or via phone at 1-877-888-7468, then press Option 1.

General VFC Program information and forms can be found on our website at <http://www.floridahealth.gov/programs-and-services/immunization/vaccines-for-children/index.html>.

CDC Guidelines for Fully Vaccinated Persons

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has updated guidance for those who are considered to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. These recommendations may be found on the CDC's website at the following link: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/fully-vaccinated-guidance.html>.

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